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Haliburton goes to the dogs

The weekend's spring-like weather was ideal for the hundreds of spectators who lined Head Lake Park to watch the Haliburton Sled Dog Derby, but not so great for

the dogs, who prefer much colder temperatures. By Sunday, there were several bare patches of trails so the day's races were cancelled. To keep spectators happy, however, mushers did take trips back and forth across the lake. In this photo, Amy Caldwell passes the Border Collie team of Buckhorn's Bonnie Edwards who was taking Haliburton vet Laurie Brown for a ride. More on pages 10 and 11.

College is hopeful strike will be averted

SHERYL LOUCKS
Staff Reporter

Cancelled classes are an unwelcome threat hanging over 30 students in Haliburton this week as they wait for the results of an Ontario Public Sector Employees Union strike vote slated for midnight on March 2. The collective agreement for the province's 6,300 college professors, librarians, counsellors and instructors in the OPSEU bargaining unit expired on August 31, 2003. Sir Sandford Fleming College has 334 members of the OPSEU local 352 of

the College of Applied Arts, Technology and Academic Union. At the Haliburton Campus there is one full-time professor and 10 part-time or sessional teachers. There are 30 full-time students. College faculty in Ontario have gone on strike only twice: once in 1983 and once in 1989. During the latter strike the faculty were out for 23 days in the early part of the fall. Mary Brittain, SSFC vice-president responsible for human resources, says the timing of this potential strike leaves them with an extremely small win-

dow to make up missed classes in comparison to the last strike. At this point the only decision that has been made is that if there is a strike all instructional classes, including those in Haliburton, will be cancelled. Bill O'Byrne, president of Local 352, says he is more optimistic this week than last that a strike will be averted. He says the two sides are not very far apart on compensation. The union stance is that college faculty should be paid between what is offered at high schools and universities but the

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A cautionary tale about car insurance

SHERYL LOUCKS
Staff Reporter

Legislated extortion and blackmail – that is how John Pugh describes the auto insurance industry that is now charging him \$942.33 for six months of insurance even though the 65-year-old's driving record since 1955 is at-fault accident free. He received a very rude shock when he called his insurance broker, the Insurers Financial Group, on February 3, 2003 to report a minor accident involving a truck driving into a vehicle he was towing. He was informed that his policy had been cancelled on March 17, 2002 due to "failure

to remit payment." The company staff person said Pugh had been sent two registered letters warning him that his policy would be cancelled. However, upon further investigation, Pugh discovered that the company sent out registered letters only if the insurance company was cancelling a policy. In Pugh's case they had not cancelled his Allianz policy; he had "not responded to an offer to renew." The offer had been buried on the third page of a letter he had received but missed reading. The premium for the year of March 2002 to March 2003 would have been \$641.69.

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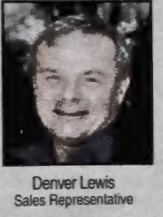
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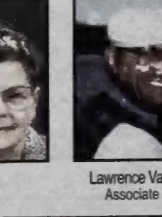
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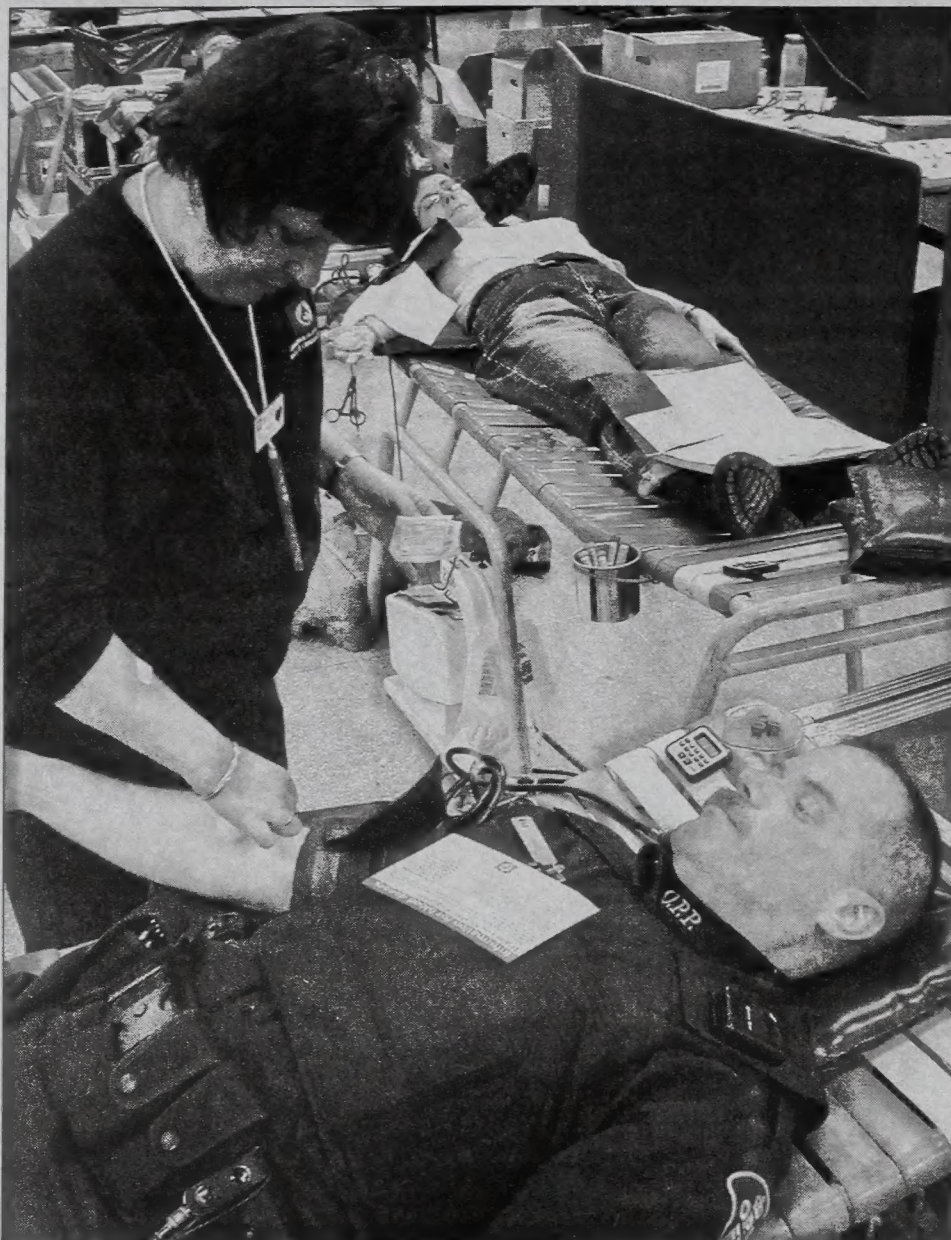


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Community Living raises \$7,500

here, there & everywhere
news and events worth noting

Community Living's Family Fun Day at Sir Sam's attracted 56 people and raised \$7,500. Maureen O'Hara, executive director, says they had a dozen more people out this year than last year. People were very supportive and items for donation for next year's silent auction have already been offered. O'Hara and the folks at Community Living extend a hearty thank-you to all those who participated and supported them.

The Kawartha Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society is hosting a workshop on immigration records into Upper Canada/Ontario spanning the period 1831 to 1901 and the various schemes to promote emigration. The one-day workshop will also include a session on using the LDS Family Search Website, a gold mine of information for people searching their family backgrounds. The facilitator is Fawne Stratford-Davis and the workshop is on March 20 at the Lindsay Library. The cost is \$25. To make your reservation contact Ian Wilson at 705-324-8046 or wilsonia@nexicom.net

We got some very early notice of a very interesting speaker at George Street United Church in Peterborough. The often controversial priest, Bishop John Shelby Spong, will be giving two lectures on October 2 followed by two question-and-answer periods. He will preach at the Sunday church service the next day and answer more questions after the service. There is a single \$50 cost which includes the two Saturday lectures and the Saturday noon lunch. The public is welcome to the Sunday morning, 10 a.m. church service. The organizers' goal is "To reach out to those for whom organized religion has proven ineffectual, irrelevant or repressive" and "To recognize the faithfulness of other people who have other names for the way to their God's realm, and acknowledge that their ways are true for them, as our ways may be true for us." To find out more contact the church at 705-742-4162 or e-mail gsuc@pkipcom.com

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Beware – renovating old buildings is addictive

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

HELLO, my name is Brigitte and I became addicted to home renovations when my husband and I thought it would be a fun idea to buy an old house in Ottawa and film me while I was fixing it up so we could sell the show to the Women's Network.

Hello. Our names are Jennifer and Mike and we might not have become addicted to home renovations if we had had the foresight to watch Brigitte's show, *Me, My House and I*, before we bought the old Banks Heritage Store in Haliburton so we could turn it into the new home for The Hairstylist.

"With all the insanity that goes with renovating a house, it's almost like a club [when you meet other people who have done the same thing,]" Brigitte Gall observes with a bright smile stopping in for a visit at Jennifer and Mike Wilson's work-in-progress, Circa 1863, the old store on Pine Street which, in its most recent incarnation, was the Wild Oat café.

Members in this club must not only be handy with all sorts of tools, but they must also have a sense of humour. It's only by laughing at all the things that can and do go wrong when you are modernizing century-old buildings that you keep what's left of your sanity.

Here are some snapshots of the Wilsons' tale of woe since starting on their ambitious renovation project: Their dog fell out of a second-storey window and broke its leg. Their heating system failed on the one night the temperature took a deep dive to -40°, causing all their new pipes to freeze and their five new toilets to explode. The man who arrived to install the antique door that they had so lovingly chosen and had restored to fit in with the heritage theme told them there was no way it would fit into the doorframe without going the way of the toilets. And the first day the Hairstylist salon set up shop in its new home, there was a major flood that ruined the ceiling plaster and drywall.

Yet when you talk to the Wilsons about the five months they've dedicated to bringing new life to one of Haliburton's oldest and most beloved buildings, they'll tell you how wonderful the experience has been and how happy they are with the results.

"You cry and you swear and you carry on," Jennifer says with well-earned stoicism. (Forget about signing yourself into Renovators Anonymous; better head straight for the hospital because home renovation is obviously a sickness.)

"I love old buildings and I could see its potential and character," says Jennifer, who remembers coming into the building when she was a student at Victoria Street School and it was a general store. "We knew what we were getting into and I had faith that Mike could pull it off."

Jennifer is the owner of The Hairstylist, the business started by her parents, Herb and Siggy Debes. Mike is a contractor who specializes in turning flat roofs – on buildings or boathouses – into beautiful outdoor living spaces. For the last five months his full-time job has been doing much of the work on the old building himself.

The store opened in 1881 as a supply store for the Boyd and Irwin logging company, which took over the timber rights from the Canada Land and Emigration Company.

Given how the lumber industry built the area's economy in the early days, and the role that Boyd and Irwin played in it, it's not surprising that it's the building's wooden features that have best withstood the demands of time. "Structurally you won't find a more sound frame," Mike says.

Sadly, for two years the building sat empty but the Wilsons saw the building's underlying strengths. Their main goal is to keep the renovations as true to the building's historical spirit as possible.

While the Wilsons were starting their renovations, Gall was in Ottawa working on her house and filming her show. Joking for the cameras was almost second nature to her because in her first career incarnation she was a stand-up comic and actress. After training at the American Academy of the Arts, she got numerous roles including Joan D'Arc in CTV's *Joan of Montreal* and starring as the crazy lady who killed her husband and put his head in the car in the series *Blue Murder*. Her role as host of the *The World's Greatest Spas*, in which she travelled the world getting pampered and buffed segued into hosting her own home renovation show (although considering the hard work involved in the



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Mike and Jennifer Wilson, at left, who have bought one of Haliburton's oldest buildings, share a passion for renovations with Brigitte Gall, the host of *Me, My House and I* on the Women's Network.

second series you wonder why she wouldn't have done the renovations first and the spas second.)

The idea for *Me, My House and I* came to her after she watched television for two days straight and realized that most home renovation shows were hosted by men who "all knew what they were talking about." She wanted and needed a show done with the inexperienced female renovator. "I'm handy," she says, "but most of the time I'm learning from my own mistakes."

She does most of the work on the Ottawa house herself using run-of-the-mill tools that the weekend handywoman would feel comfortable with.

Working on the house – and the show – in the summer also allows Gall and her husband David Mackenzie, a professional writer, to spend most of the year at their cottage/lakeside home in the Highlands. They moved here three years ago when they realized that their careers didn't require a city address.

When Gall found out the Hairstylist was moving to Pine Street, she was enthralled. She, too, had fallen in love with the old building and wondered what secrets it would reveal.

"The height of the ceiling, the wainscoting, the windows – they're incredible. It's just the feel of it," says Brigitte (who says you can pronounce her name with a French flair as long as you don't expect the girl from Creelman, Saskatchewan to speak French, too.) "I wanted to know the why and how and what crazy stuff happened."

Meanwhile, if she finds herself itching to pick up a hammer or power tool this winter, the Wilsons can put her to work since there's so much still to be done. Now that the salon is up and running, they're renovating the main two-storey house with the help of Colin Burk, who plans to turn it into a bed and breakfast. There's enough space at the front for what the Wilsons hope to rent out as a café, as well as room for a day spa. That's not to mention the two apartments upstairs.

It's a big project but the Wilsons are determined to have it all ready by summer. "If you don't set goals, this could take forever," Jennifer says.

And if you didn't have people with dreams, then one of Haliburton's most beautiful buildings would be empty of hope and spirit.

Village Barn stores do the shuffle

SHERYL LOUCKS

Staff Reporter

My Crazy Aunt's Attic is finally cozily ensconced in an attic of its own.

The relocation of the store from York Street to the top of the Village Barn is the first in a number of transformations that will be taking place in one of Haliburton's oldest downtown buildings, once known as the livery for the Grand Central Hotel. Anthony vanLieshout has purchased the building and is proceeding with extensive renovations. He declined to comment at this time about the changes he is planning.

Sharon Rowden, owner of My Crazy Aunt's Attic, says she is thrilled with the space she now has. She opened the store just over a year ago and it has moved three times. She says the space she has now is what she originally had in mind.

"I wanted lots of space to have antiques, clothes, and different things. I didn't want it to look like a second-hand clothing store. I'm really happy here, people love it," says Rowden.

The other tenants of the building are in the process of shuffling about. Master's Book Store started out to the left of the main doors to the barn about 20 years ago and then expanded to two rooms downstairs, and more recently the central room on the main floor. The store will soon be taking over the entire main floor once it has been redesigned.

Owner Cathy Stouffer hopes that, in the process of renovating, the store will not have to close for any period of time, but she's not sure of that yet.

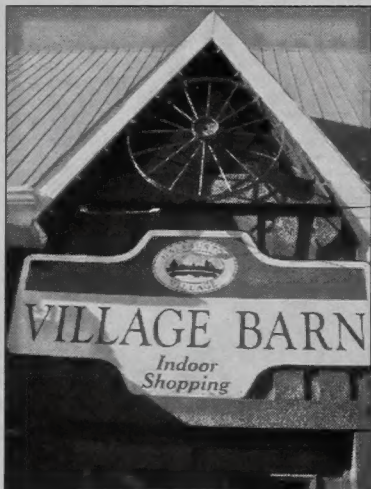
She is slowly moving stock out of the basement since that area is being renovated for two new rental spaces. Stouffer says the plan is to open up the main floor space and take out the walls. She is hoping that with the right shelving she will be able to carry the same amount of stock.

The other big change is Rachel's Home Bakery. It will be moving into what is now Nancy's Flowers. Owner Eva Markowski says she and Stouffer have always said they feed body and soul between them and are going to be building on that concept. A door will open between the bakery when it moves and the bookstore. They are toying with the idea of creating a mini-Chapters with a coffee shop adjacent to the bookstore. Markowski says the changes will give her bakery more street visibility.

Nancy's Flowers is going out of business. Owner Nancy Brink says there was not another spot on the main street for her to move into. Brink has owned the flower shop for 20 years in the Village Barn and has been in town for 29 years.

The flower shop will close at the end of March.

Brink says she plans on continuing to sell her prize-winning preserves and jams from her home or another outlet.



Shoppers will find many changes at the old livery stables on Haliburton's main street in the weeks to come.

Bark Lake owners plan major development

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

A bold new development plan could see 150 residential units being built along the shores of Bark Lake.

The proposal for up to 50 single detached cottages and 100 townhomes received a cautiously enthusiastic response from Highlands East council recently.

Bark Lake is a 489-acre, multi-million-dollar facility near Irondale once owned by the province and used as a youth leadership training centre. It was sold in the last days of the Bob Rae government just after a major capital expansion project. It boasts a beautiful dining hall, lakeside recreation hall, several cabins and housing unit that could be used as a 24-room motel, as well as state-of-the-art septic and water facilities.

Bark Lake was purchased by Century Lane Development, a holding company primarily owned by the Izumi brothers. Columbia International College in Hamilton, a private secondary school for foreign students based in Hamilton, then acquired a small interest. Columbia is now the principal owner of Century Lane Development, vice-president Jim Campbell said on Tuesday.

Bark Lake, however, has never been able to live up to its new owners' aspirations and it has been listed for sale at \$6-million for the past few years.

"We've struggled with the operations," Campbell said in a frank discussion with council. "The revenues and the operational costs do not match up with the needs of the camp."

Planner John Ariens of PEIL Planning and Engineering Initiatives came up with the concept of the mixed development which would make use of and highlight the existing facilities.

In a letter to council, he writes, "The concept will be based on vacation fractioning ownership, or what is commonly

referred to as time sharing. This is the fastest growing vacation concept in North America where individuals own a share (fraction) of real property."

The development might also include condominiums. Columbia is not yet sure what the mix will be. The existing septic system can accommodate, Ariens said, more than 150 permanent, year-round dwelling units. If there is a second phase, the water and septic facilities would have to be expanded.

"We're at the exploration point," Campbell said, explaining that Columbia did not want to move ahead until it received feedback from council.

"There's an opportunity and we should move on it," Reeve Tallman said. "I would think we have to work with what we have on the table."

"The concept seems pretty exciting," said Councillor Suzanne Partridge, who added that her major concern as the proposal progressed would be to ensure that lake quality was protected.

Ariens has asked the municipality to change the property's current zoning before the municipality's updated zoning bylaw is passed.

Bark Lake is zoned Tourist/Commercial-3 and it's the "dash 3" that bothers the owners. Tourist/Commercial zoning allows for everything the owners are proposing but dash-3 takes all of those privileges away. It voids all the other uses for the land except camp.

Ariens said that if the zoning was changed, protections to the property would still be in place through the required site plan agreement and environmental impact study.

Council, while not dismissing the possibility of changing the zoning before the zoning bylaw was passed, stressed that regardless of when the change was made, a public meeting has to be held.

Meanwhile, Highlands East's planner, Chris Jones, will review the proposal before making a detailed assessment.

Privacy Legislation: Is Your Organization Ready?

A workshop for leaders in non-profit organizations
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Romance, bedroom battles, comedy!

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Seven charged after stolen snowmobiles and ATVs recovered

Residents from West Guilford and Eagle Lake helped the OPP catch seven people who they believe are responsible for stealing snowmobiles and ATVs.

The investigation started when a cottager on Kennis Lake reported a theft of recreational machines a few weeks ago.

The Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment, in conjunction with the Community Response/Rural Agricultural Crime Team, started looking into the theft of various machines. The collaboration between the police and community members led to the recovery of three snowmobiles and two ATVs.

The value of the recovered property is \$35,000.

A 31-year-old man from Eagle Lake has been charged with two counts of possession of property obtained by crime over \$5,000.

A 19-year-old man from Eagle Lake has been charged with four counts of the same charge and two counts of break, enter and theft.

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Companies rake in the premiums

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"Readers' Digest gives you at least four reminders that your subscription is up. Allianz never sent a reminder. I'm being punished not for missing a payment but not renewing a policy," says Pugh.

The consequences have been drastic. Allianz refused to insure Pugh because the renewal mistake had dropped him from a category five (the top rating is six) to a category four rating. The federal government's Understanding Car Insurance brochure says "An insurance company cannot charge you higher car insurance premiums just because you have had a lapse in coverage... but, there are exceptions. For example, if your lapse in coverage is due to cancellation of your policy because of nonpayment of premiums."

His next policy cost \$1,393 from Pilot Insurance - more than double what Allianz would have charged.

Then another ghost came back to haunt him. He had dented a bumper and broken the tail lights of a 97 Tacoma truck in 2000 in an incident deemed as a "forgiving loss", one that did not affect his rating - with Allianz. Pilot Insurance became aware of the claim that he had made for this incident and cancelled his policy.

Floyd Hall Insurance, a local broker that Pugh had been dealing with, found him another policy with Kingsway Insurance for a whopping \$1,006 for a six-month period between March 12 and September 12, 2003 because at some point he had been reduced to a category two rating.

It appears that Pugh's rating is due to two crimes he was unaware of committing: failing to renew a premium and fraud for not reporting the fender bender. Of the first he wasn't aware he didn't have insurance and in the second he assumed that since his original company had forgiven the accident a subsequent company would, too.

He did not find another company to insure him for less money so he renewed the six-month policy last September for \$942 and is now faced with another payment of \$942.

"I am 65 years old and am being reduced to a beginner driver rating - it's an insult," says Pugh.

He has taken his fight to MPP Laurie Scott, who forwarded it to Finance Minister Greg Sorbara, and sent

SHERYL LOUCKS/Echo



A couple of small dents in the bumper of John Pugh's truck caused a spiral of car insurance woes that he has yet to recover from.

letters to an insurance ombudsman, and the Prime Minister's office with no response. He must purchase insurance or face a fine of up to \$50,000 for driving without coverage.

The auto insurance industry is not legally allowed to deny high-risk drivers coverage. Last resort insurers, which charge more for premiums, belong to The Facility Association (www.facilityassociation.com or 1-800-268-9572).

Pugh says that when Allianz dropped him he was referred to another company which wanted an exorbitant amount of money for a policy; both companies are owned by the same parent company. Pugh said that it seems like companies are dropping clients to force them into higher premiums with sub-companies. He also found out on the internet that Allianz had purchased a German bank that turned out to be a bad investment and so he thinks Allianz is trying to recoup its losses.

John Karapetita with the Insurance Bureau of Canada denies this happens. The spokesperson says it is illegal for an insurer to recoup investment losses through higher premiums.

"Everyone says we're paying high premiums because

of [the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in America]. 9/11 had an impact on re-insurance, the industry covering insurers paying for losses from the terrorist attacks. Those were costs felt around the world but very little of the auto insurance market is re-insured," says Karapetita.

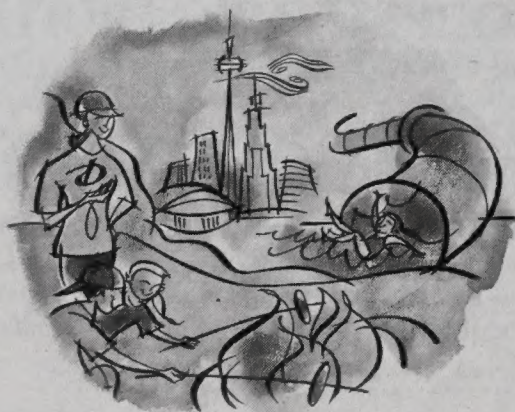
He added that 75 per cent of auto insurance company investments are in bonds, and 15 per cent are in "fairly secure blue chip stocks that have fairly low risk exposure." Karapetita also claims the industry has had positive returns and has "done a good job with returns."

Karapetita blames Ontario's skyrocketing premiums directly on the court system which has applied a "watered down" definition of serious/permanent impairment - exposing insurers to high costs for treating the injured in no-fault accidents. The Ontario government is currently changing the fees that Designated Assessment Centres can charge insurance companies for treatment of injuries as a result of accidents.

Karapetita says the insurance industry welcomes changes to reduce the cost of claims which will mean lower premium prices for consumers. Last October, the province froze auto insurance rates for 90 days to give the government time to review how to bring costs down.

For more information about the insurance industry contact the Insurance Bureau of Canada at www.ibc.ca, The Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario at www.ibao.com, The Registered Insurance Brokers of Ontario at www.ribo.com, the government at www.fsc.gov.on.ca or check out the Auto Claims Satisfaction Survey at www.claimssurvey.com or call 1-800-668-0128.

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Dispute a symptom of underfunding, college says

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province was offering less than the top high school salary of about \$78,000. BS salaries now range at the college between \$41,201 and \$76,567.

The deal breaker, he says, is the amount of time faculty are allotted to spend with students whether it is for on-site classes or those offered electronically. O'Byrne says OPSEU is asking for faculty to be paid for an extra one minute and 48 seconds per student if they are teaching a large classes of 150 students or more. The problem boils down to a 40 per cent increase in students over the last decade but a 23 per cent decline in full-time faculty in Ontario colleges - more students, fewer teachers, and no additional compensation for the work teachers have had to do.

O'Byrne says the union always wants to improve the quality of teaching by hiring more full-time staff so students will know semester to semester who is teaching them. More than 35 per cent of the faculty at SSFC are not full-time.

Brittain says OPSEU is negotiating collective agreements with the provincial College Compensation and Appointments Council, not the individual colleges. She says locally they have been concerned for years about the chronic underfunding and this strike threat is a symptom of that underfunding.

Michelle Boyle, an SSFC Haliburton campus student, says at this point she and her classmates are not too worried about the strike. They don't feel it will last more than a week or so and they think their teachers will work with them to ensure they graduate on time.

"Most of our course is based on assignments so if we keep up with our work we'll just be missing class time," says Boyle. "A lot of people have jobs and work placements lined up so it'll be hard if a strike extends the school year. This is a post-graduate program so we're all ready to start our careers. We have a lot invested in this."



A pancake birthday

Joined by his siblings, parents, cousins, aunts, uncles and grandmother, Devon Bangay, above, celebrated his sixth birthday by digging into a plate full of pancakes at St. George's Anglican Church's Shrove Tuesday pancake supper. (Alas for a birthday boy, there was homemade pie, not cake, for dessert.) The Haliburton Legion was filled with hungry patrons, including Susan Butz, at left. The supper is one of the church's major fundraisers.



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More hands, lighter work

The crowds on Haliburton's streets on Saturday were proof, if proof was needed, that the dog sled derby is a boon to the winter economy. The sight of dog teams racing across the frozen expanse of Head Lake is a terrific draw for spectators, who also get a chance to meet with the mushers before and after the races. And since the start line was just metres away from main street, when viewers got tired of watching the races it was very easy for them to participate in that other beloved recreational sport — shopping.

echo

editorial

martha perkins

But a few nights before the races, there certainly wasn't a crowd at the volunteer meeting. In fact, many of the people volunteering to run the races were the competitors themselves, doing their best to help things run smoothly between their own heats.

It's not surprising that by Sunday afternoon the event's main organizer, Tanya McCready, was looking a bit frazzled. (Her husband Hank DeBruin, who did a lot behind the scenes before the races, was busy running their own sled dog tour business on the weekend.) She carried the burden of responsibility for the weekend admirably, although her ever-present smile was fueled by the nervous energy that replaces sleep by the time the awards ceremony wrapped up on Sunday. While she did have a small coterie of volunteers helping her out, the weekend would not have been possible without her and her husband's efforts.

This is why so many wonderful events last only a few years. There are too few people doing too much of the work. Because they care passionately about the event, whether it is the sled dog derby or the Highland Games or Wilberforce's Country Good Times, they keep it going until exhaustion finally does them in. With regret, but with no other choice, they are forced to step aside. Unless there's someone else to fill the void, the event fades into memory.

The key is not to get to the exhausted stage. And for that, the events need more people sharing the burden. Perhaps one way that groups can enlist more volunteers is to be more specific about how people can help, and letting them know that the event doesn't need to consume all their time. Maybe someone who feels too inexperienced to work with dogs would love to help organize the score sheets. Someone with a truck could help put up the fences for the Highland Games. Enjoy being outside on a sunny summer's day? Sell tickets at Country Good Times. Break the chores into small chunks and market them that way.

Meanwhile, the village of Haliburton owes McCready and DeBruin a big thank you for helping to put an end to the February blahs. Despite all the challenges, they pulled off a heroic feat with little praise or applause. We can all begin clapping now.



Skjoring

Photo by Martha Perkins

A nose for the outdoors

It has been said that necessity is the mother of invention. The father of invention is never mentioned, though, so we'll just have to assume that he skipped town.

If so, his desertion must be blamed on inventions like the nose hair trimmer — I mean what man in his right mind would stick around to take responsibility for that?

The inventor of the nose hair trimmer was not an outdoorsman. Even the least experienced outdoorsman knows that nostril hair is the first line of defense when it comes to winter survival. Go ice fishing without nose hair and nasal fluid will drip and freeze directly onto your moustache, only to thaw out much later on the drive home. If you don't think that's dangerous, try kissing your wife immediately after you step in the door.

Thankfully, some quick-thinking outdoorsman invented the long sleeved shirt.

This simple modification has saved countless marriages, further proof that an interest in the outdoors promotes family values.

I mentioned all this to my wife right after she suggested that a nose hair trimmer might be in order for my next birthday. Of course, it was not exactly what I had in mind.

"Why would I need one of those?" I asked, as I began braiding wayward nostril hair.

"Well your nose is getting bigger and more unruly with age," she said.

I then repeated something I'd once heard. "A great nose indicates a great man — genial, courteous, intellectual, virile and courageous."

"Really?" she said as she flipped through the personal grooming section in the catalogue. "Who said that?"

"Cyrano De Bergerac," I answered. "He wasn't known for modesty."

While she mulled that over, I considered that nose hair trimming products are not high on an outdoorsman's want list. After all, the main purpose of any good nostril mullet is to filter

toxic foreign particles in the air, thereby protecting your lungs. Anyone who's ever spent any time in a crowded ice hut understands the importance of this.

Yet, I'm also reasonably sure that, with a little imagination, these trimmers can be put to good use. Home taxidermy projects come to mind immediately. No doubt they'd also come in handy when you need to shave the initials of

you and your sweetheart on the side of a road-killed moose. Admittedly, these outward signs of affection happen primarily on anniversaries, Valentine's Day and other awkward occasions when you're forced to prove that you have a sensitive and romantic side. But it happens nevertheless and, surprisingly, women remember these things.

The problem is there's nothing a nose hair trimmer can do that a good sportsman's multi-tool can't. And, if your multi-tool has the gut hook option, I'm guessing you could do it even better.

Unfortunately, I thought all this aloud.

"Road killed moose?" she replied, as if smitten by the tender nature of this romantic gesture. "You'd use nose hair clippers on a road-killed moose?"

I looked longingly into the distance as I imagined the various uses for moose nostril hair at the fly tying bench. You've got to admit, Bullwinkle's Snot Rocket is certainly a catchy name for a trout fly.

Strangely enough, since then she hasn't spoke of nose hair trimmers again.

Later, as we lay in bed she said, "I didn't realize you were so literate. It's been years since you've read Cyrano. How on earth did you remember that quote?"

"Well," I replied, "I guess I always remember a good nasal passage."

She mumbled a few unprintable things, but that sealed it — I'm pretty sure I'm getting the multi-tool.

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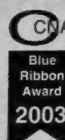
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A passing

LOUISE LOOKED OUT HER KITCHEN window and sighed. The snow was melting faster than warm butter and soon her driveway would be awash in mud. Louise knew most people loved this change in the weather but she didn't. It was not seasonal and Louise measured much in her life by the seasons. Time for everything, everything in its time, she muttered to herself, pulling on her rubber boots with disgust. She had to get over to her father's place, he was expecting her to fetch his garbage to the dump. There was also that loose board on the deck steps; might as well fix that now that the heat wave had laid it bare.

Then the phone rang. Debating whether or not to answer it - she was practically out the door. Louise turned around and walked across the kitchen floor to pick it up. It was the old fellow who lived across from her father. He sounded odd. Then she dropped the phone. At least, she must have because there it was, on the floor. Her father had just dropped dead on his front porch.

It was like a dream. That was the way Louise had often heard people describe how it felt when dealing with difficult, even traumatic events. Now she knew first-hand what it was like to sleep walk through a week of her life. Fortunately her brother came home to help. There were arrangements to be made and people to call. He dealt with the funeral people;



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Louise telephoned relatives, neighbours and friends of her dad's.

It's amazing how many people there were to call, she thought, after hanging up after yet another sincere but now repetitive conversation. She wanted it all to end, be over, finished. Like he was, came the thought, as she poured her fourth cup of coffee. With no appetite, she forced down a tea biscuit. Tomorrow was the funeral.

It went all right. Her brother handled the eulogy well and almost everyone went back to the church basement for refreshments. Louise's place was too small to hold more than a dozen people and there were a lot more than that at the service. Then it was over. Her brother flew back to Nova Scotia, saying not to worry, the lawyer would handle everything.

Louise didn't worry. In fact, she didn't do much of anything. Sure she got up in the morning, though now it was a little later. She got dressed and ate breakfast, sort of. Usually coffee and sometimes toast. But then she kind of hung around the house, as though waiting for a phone call. She knew what it was. She was waiting for her father to phone. One time she started dialling his number, then started bawling like a baby. It takes time for the death of a parent to sink in.

Finally, knowing she had to get out, Louise leashed up her ecstatic, neglected dog and went for a walk. The warm weather hadn't stayed so that now she needed her warm jacket, hat and winter boots. The dog was fine; he had a thick coat. She walked for hours, enjoying the sting of the air on her face, the crunch underfoot.

Of course she ended up at her dad's place. Despite all the walking in every other direction, she sort of knew she'd find her way there. It was almost painful to look at the front of the modest little bungalow and know he would never stand on that deck, waving goodbye; never part the living room curtains to see who was driving by.

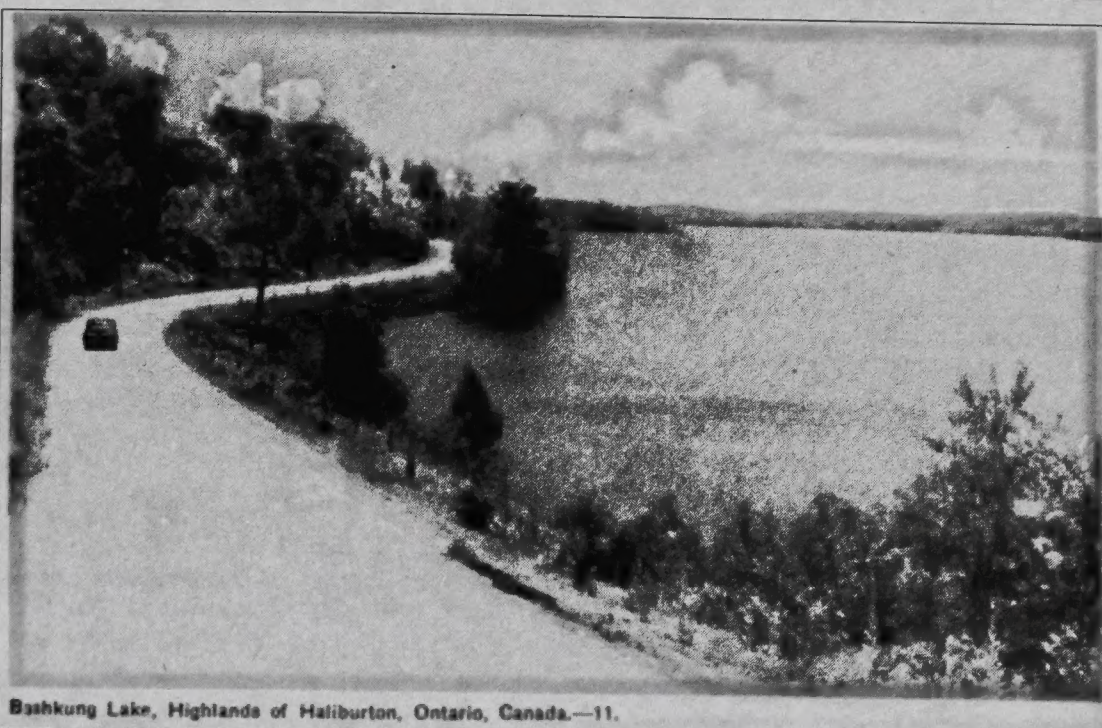
She opened up the door - the key was still in the same spot, and gave her dog a bowl of water. Everything looked tidy and empty. No dirty dishes in the sink, no fire in the woodstove. Louise knew at some point she would have to go through her father's things, deciding what to keep and what to give away. She and her brother had not yet decided if they wanted to sell the house. But for now, she couldn't bring herself to open a drawer or closet, let alone think of anything bigger.

For the longest time she stood in the middle of the living room and let the place seep into her. She had the funny idea that soon there would be none of her father's spirit left in the house but now some remained, waiting for her to take it up and carry it away into the rest of her life. Pulling out the chair he liked to sit in to read, Louise sat down and rested her hands on the arm rests. She closed her eyes and conjured him there, in the house.

Spoon in hand, he was stirring his famous venison stew while talking excitedly of the upcoming election. Now he was sweeping up around the woodstove, catching the errant wood chips that had always annoyed him so. She saw the look of excitement as he leaned forward, watching a hockey game on television and the finger to his lips as he pointed to a deer in the yard.

Louise knew more memories awaited outside. His vegetable garden, so lovingly tended for so many years. The apple trees from which he was always chasing the bears. The clothesline that held his clothes in the summer and the bird feeders in the winter. Ah yes, the bird feeders. Louise saw they were empty and immediately went to work filling them. She could hear his voice reminding her how the birds got dependent on the feeders and could starve if they were not replenished.

Her life, like those bird feeders, was now less empty than it had been this morning. She was glad she had stopped by the house. Despite the cold, she knew spring really was coming.



Baskung Lake, Highlands of Haliburton, Ontario, Canada.—11.

pic of the past

This scene was included in a series of postcards of The Highlands loaned to us by Ken Hamill. It will be familiar to anyone who has travelled south from Dorset. This was Highway 35 as it looked more than 50 years ago, when a trip from Toronto to a cottage in Haliburton County was a much slower trip than it is today.

letters to the editor

A different view of Rail Trail

To The Editor:

The Haliburton ATV Association would like to clear up a few salient points that were reported recently in *The Haliburton County Echo* and *The Minden Times*.

1/ We are not against non-motorized uses on the rail trail or any trail for that matter. We believe the rail trail should be multi-use like the IB&O in Highlands East and the EOTA rail system just east of Haliburton County. However, for those non-motorized users who are against the multi-use of this trail we suggest there are many under-utilized non-motorized trails on municipal lands that are not ATV trails and that are growing over each summer from lack of use.

2/ In regards to insurance on the Rail Trail, OFATV will not provide insurance to our club for a trail that has a limited split season use as it increases their insurance risk and they expect that if members are paying for their pass that they should be able to use the trail during the normal season. HATVA can not provide wardening and management and other services on a trail without insurance. One of our requirements from the Rail Trail committee (amongst many things) is the requirement to insure use of the rail trail and list the county as co-insured. We cannot fulfill this commitment in a split season scenario. Further we cannot map trails without insurance and that in itself leads to risk as people try and find other means to go from A to B.

3/ Aside from the insurance issue HATVA is not willing to wade into an unenforceable mess that would have us taking responsibilities of responding to those using the trail in the summer and "monitor and enforce proper usage" which

are other conditions of ATV use on the trail. We would spend all of our resources keeping people off the trail during the summer months and it puts us in a lose-lose situation with our HATVA members, OFATV, the county and other ATV enthusiasts that traditionally have used the trail. In short we have no interest in being set up for failure by the committee recommendations.

4/ The rail trail committee recommendations were not the Stantec consultant recommendations that we, as taxpayers paid dearly for on the recommendation of the committee. So I can only assume that after spending approximately \$50,000 the committee didn't get the answer it was looking for and recommended closing the trail during the summer months.

5/ In regards to the *Echo* editorial, "Rail Trail debate gets personal", it seems to suggest that HATVA has crossed some invisible line that people get punished for in small towns. Personal attacks usually relate to slander, mistruths and lies aimed at running down an individual's character. I don't believe HATVA has ever strayed from the issues at hand into personal attacks. We have discussed and spoken the truth.

Please don't confuse personal attack with "who said what" on the issues. People have a right to discuss, debate and make known their opinions as well as the pros and cons of the debate. It's called democracy. The suggestion that "it's a bit like the argument over second-hand smoke" is odd and the metaphor escapes me. So something motorized somehow relates to smoking and is therefore bothersome? I don't smoke or even drink coffee but I do drive a car - I don't have

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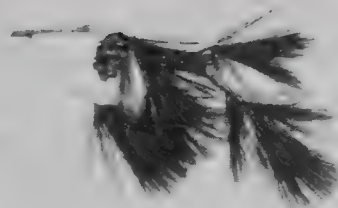
Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur





You can almost see the pleasure in the dogs' faces as they take off from the starting line at Head Lake Park during the Haliburton Dog Sled Derby's four-dog races on Saturday. World champion Lou Serré, top left, attracted a lot of attention with his own special breed of hounds, which looked like Arctic greyhounds. Ayre Richards, above, heads straight for the finish line (and the photographer) in the kid-and-mutt races, above. At far left, Jennifer Paton and her daughters Betty and Charlotte enjoyed meeting some of the dogs close up.

Photos and story next page
by Martha Perkins



THE ECHO sports

Tuesday, March 2, 2004

Red Hawk teams continue their flight to the top

AMY GRIEVES

HHSS Co-op Student

Victory was the trend this week at HHSS as the sports team played hard and reaped what they had sown over the season.

The hockey team is up one game in the best two-out-of-three series against Campbellford. The Red Hawks pounded their way to a 2-0 win on Monday, February 23 at the Haliburton Arena. The team advanced to the Kawartha league finals with a convincing 5-1 win over their main competition Campbellford.

The boys came out strong achieving three goals in the first period. Evan Kernohan paved the way by scoring two of the three goals and Shawn Heming scored the third. In the second period the Hawks were still going strong; Benji Saunders and Tim Pettit both scored a goal. Andy Dawson did an excellent job with both defense and as goalie. The Hawks await who they will play in the finals.

Hitting the slopes for COSSA bragging rights on Thursday was the HHSS snowboard team. In the senior boys category Darren Johnson won second place and Matthew Smith won fourth. Dylan Metcalfe placed second, Robert Bjelis forth, and Gavin Hicks fifth in the junior boys category. Alana Lacy came out on top again winning first place for the junior girls. For the senior girls Cindy Malloy placed first, and Jaimie Pettes placed second.

Some members of the team did not compete because of scheduling conflicts.

Back on the court the Jr. Boys Basketball team advanced to COSSA for



LEN PIZZEY/Echo

A competitor races down the course at Sir Sam's during last week's COSSA snowboarding event. Even though HHSS did not send some of its best snowboarders to the event because of scheduling conflicts, and the fact there are no all-Ontario races, the team did exceptionally well, bring home several medals.

the first time in team history. They defeated Port Hope with a 46-31 lead.

This win was the team's best play of the year and happened at just the right time. Zach Joanu, Kieran Gillooly, Adam Googh, and Brendan White served up ten points or more each. With the help of Jon Briggs, who added 12 points to the boards, and great offense from James Allison the team advanced with a beautiful win.

The Junior Girls Volleyball team played in the Kawartha "AA" championships. The team narrowly missed advancing to COSSA.

The girls lost two to one against Kenner of Peterborough in the semi-finals. Paige Collins had an outstanding performance considering she was also sick with

the flu at the game. Amazing kills at the power position were the claim to fame for Julie Johnson and Kirsten Rae. Sheri Walker had some incredible digs from the back row. Cassidy Zilla who has shown consistent play and effort game in and game out all season. She was instrumental to the teams success this year.

The girls' improvement and skills in volleyball this season is directly related to their dedication at practice night after night.

The senior Hawks also participated in the Kawartha Championships last week. The championships were held at the Coburg East High school. The girls placed third in their pool. They missed out, however, on going into the final round and competing to go to COSSA.

Signs of dominance were clear as the girls came back from a ten point deficit to win against Lakefield. Unforced errors were the teams downfall which enabled them from a victory. Coach Marsden thanked the team for the learning experience and the fun.

Badminton is returning to HHSS. Try outs took place last Friday after school. So watch for the news of the badminton team.

A week in review, hard work displayed by all, the teams put forth the most amount of effort possible. It has been a great season played by all and HHSS is very proud of all their athletes.

There is more sports coverage of HHSS teams on the following pages.



Jim Cunningham gets the help of two Huskies as he competes in the Haliburton Dog Sled Derby's skijoring event at the Delta Pinestone.

Warm weather shortchanges dog sled races

Mother Nature can have a rather twisted sense of humour.

Last year, spectators at the Haliburton Dog Sled Derby hated the bone-chilling temperatures but the dogs thrived in the Arctic conditions. This year, the spectators rejoiced in being able to stand outside in the +10° sunshine but Sunday's races had to be cancelled because parts of the trail, especially the hills, were bare of snow.

Still, there were few complaints as dogs, mushers and spectators simply enjoyed being outside on such a glorious day.

About 60 teams converged in downtown Haliburton on Saturday morning. Municipal crews had plowed snow onto

York Street so they could have a place to congregate. Hundreds of people passed in and out of the park as they watched the teams take off across Head Lake, disappear from sight as they raced towards the dump, and then completed the race by crossing the lake to the finish line.

Only one dog was seriously affected by the heat and Dr. Laurie Brown of Haliburton Veterinary Services soon had it buried in snow to cool down.

However, the races took their toll on the trail. Despite the efforts of volunteers, who spent two days before the races shoveling snow onto the worst sections, there were soon bare patches springing up.

With Sunday's equally warm temperatures, race organizer Tanya McCready decided to cancel Sunday's races. In order not to disappoint spectators, several mushers did practice runs across the lake.

The following are the weekend's winners.

4 dog open: Pam Richards, Lou Serre, Mike Siertsema; 4 dog purebred: Jim Rossiter, Stephanie Rooke, Lori Powers

6 dog open: Lou Serre, Erika Seifert, Hank Plaisted; 6 dog purebred: Steve Rooke, Rob Groth, Susan Gilchrist

8 dog open: Lou Serre, Steve Long, Mike Marsh; 8 dog purebred: Leigh Gilchrist, Jordan Richter

1-2 dog skijor: Heather Adney, Fran Plaisted, Pam Richards

Kid and Mutt: Inzbrook Richards, Catlin Dunlop, Luc Siertsema



LEN PIZZEY/Echo

The Haliburton Red Hawks Junior Volleyball team turned in a strong performance in a the Kawartha AA tournament they hosted on Thursday. The girls determined and skillful play won them several games, but they were edged out for the opportunity to advance to the COSSA final.

Red Hawk basketball team ready to take on Central Ontario

PAUL LONGO

HHSS Coach

February has been a fantastic month for the HHSS Senior Boys basketball team. In early February, the Red Hawks travelled to Petawawa to compete in a 32-team tournament that attracted teams from as far away as Timmins, Montreal and Philadelphia.

In their first game against Arnprior, the Red Hawks stormed out to a 29-18 lead at the half. They hit a brick wall offensively in the third quarter and some bad turnovers in the fourth quarter cost them the game.

In the second game against Bishop Smith from Pembroke, the Red Hawks played disciplined ball and dominated the boards as they cruised to a 65-40 victory.

In the third game against Keswick, the Redhawks played great defense and worked hard to score buckets against a tough zone. With less than three minutes left in the game, Conrad Flatman took over as he attacked the zone, scored some timely baskets, and set up his teammates beautifully. Final score Red Hawks 44-Keswick 39.

This victory put the Red Hawks into the Consolation Semi-final against Fellows HS from Pembroke. The lead changed hands several times in the game. With less than a minute left, the Red Hawks trailed 46-44 and just couldn't find a way to tie the game. The two-day trip to Petawawa was a great experience for the players and coaches (a big thanks to Jim Winn and Steve Heming for offering their time, encouragement, and vehicles!) and the momentum carried over into the last league games and the playoffs.

On February 10, the Red Hawks played a great game against a tough LCVI squad. They lost the game 61-49 but they were within four points of tying the game with three minutes left in the game. The loss meant another game against LCVI on February 17 in the Kawartha "AAA" semi-final. They played another disciplined game and held a 27-21 lead at the half. The Spartans chipped away at the lead and with 50 seconds left in the game the Red Hawks trailed 45-43. A costly turnover led to an easy bucket for LCVI and they never recovered. Final score LCVI 49 HHSS 43.

Luckily, HHSS is classified as "AA" based on our school population size and their season wasn't over. On February 26, the Red Hawks travelled to Port

Hope HS to compete in a Kawartha "AA" Semi-final game against Holy Cross from Peterborough. The Red Hawks jumped out to 19-11 lead at the half as both teams played phenomenal defense. In the second half, Holy Cross hit some nice shots from the paint and the Red Hawks found it difficult to crack their 2-3 zone.

The Red Hawks trailed 29-27 heading into the fourth quarter but the squad dug deep and tied the game 34-34 with less than two minutes remaining. Daryl Arbour flung his body all over the court to keep the ball in our hands. Brad Mickle pulled down three huge defensive rebounds to keep Holy Cross from scoring and Ross Gerry grabbed three offensive boards to send us to the line. Ross hit two foul shots in the last 30 seconds to give the Red Hawks a 36-34 edge and they held on to win by that score. The win meant a berth in the finals against the Kenner Rams from Peterborough.

After getting rid of the jitters in the semi-finals, the Red Hawks were not to be denied in the final! In the opening minutes, the squad launched a ferocious assault on the Ram defense. More importantly, our defense was perfect. At the end of the first quarter the score was 19-0 HHSS!

From that point on, the Red Hawks cruised to a 50-35 victory to win the Kawartha "AA" Championship. The "Fab Five" starters (Conrad Flatman, Daryl Arbour, Shane Baumhour, Ross Gerry, and Brad Mickle) led the way and the entire bench chipped in quality minutes to secure the hardware. Brad Mickle led all scorers with 20 points while Conrad Flatman ran the floor and dished for 11 assists. Daryl, Shane and Ross dominated the boards and their physical presence and defensive positioning made it difficult for the big Kenner squad to penetrate inside.

The Red Hawks advance to the Central Ontario Championships (COSSA) March 4. Two wins at COSSA mean a trip to the "AA" Ontario Championships (OFSSA) March 10-12. Good luck this week boys... you are already champions!!

The HHSS Red Hawks roster is as follows: Conrad Flatman, Paul Johnston, Daryl Arbour, Brendah Farrell, Shane Baumhour, Adrian Winn, Ross Gerry, Jeff Mickle, Brad Mickle, Aaron Zilla, Andy Dawson, Jimmy Costain, Shawn Heming, Josh Warburton, Gord Timbers, Matt Moore and Tom Abel.

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The HHSS curling team advances to COSSA after winning the Kawartha Championships: Coach Tom Dibblee, Skip-Rob Ainsley, Vice Ryan Cole, Second Jake Walker, Lead Jeff Sobil

Curling team sweeps three games to advance

The Red Hawk curling team participated in the Kawartha Curling Championship on February 25 and 27 at the Peterborough Golf and Country Club.

They were undefeated in all three games and have advanced to the COSSA Curling Championship in Lindsay on March 3.

The team had excellent games defeat-

ing St. Peter's 9-2; Thomas A. Stewart 6-4 and Adam Scott 7-3. Highlights of the championship include the win against TAS, who were the Kawartha winners last year and eventually made it to OFSAA.

Excellent curling, camaraderie and sportsmanship displayed by all. Way to go boys. Zugie ... Zugie ... Zugie !!

Snowmobile fatalities lead to warning to slow down

Officers from the Ontario Provincial Police Field and Traffic Support Bureau are sending two clear messages to snowmobile operators this winter. Slow down and drive according to the weather conditions.

The OPP have investigated 19 snowmobile fatalities so far this winter, and are urging snowmobile operators to slow their machines down. The statistics are the same as this time last year, but do indicate that excessive speed has been a major contributing factor in many of this year's fatalities.

Officers are warning drivers that speed can kill, especially at night when the highest number of deaths are reported. Operators should reduce their speed when traveling on trails at night, snowmobile headlights illuminate only a short distance in front and speeding

drivers end up out-driving their lights, leaving little time to react to hazards.

Police are also reminding operators to adjust their driving habits during adverse weather conditions. Poor weather conditions including drifting and blowing snow have proven to be hazardous in Ontario this winter for motorists and snowmobilers alike.

Operators should reduce their speed during times of poor visibility when on recreational trails, give yourself more time to avoid the hazards ahead.

"Slow down and respect all weather conditions", says Inspector Jim Dixon of OPP Field and Traffic Support Bureau. "Reducing your speed will increase your chances of avoiding obstacles on the trail and make snowmobiling safer for everyone."



MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

The eighth Annual General Meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation will be held on Thursday, June 24, 2004 at 3:00 pm in the Auditorium of the HHHS Minden site, Hyland Crest.

2004/05 Membership in the Corporation is available to any individual who has been a resident (including seasonal) of, or who has been employed or carried on a business in, the County of Haliburton or in the township of Laxton, Digby and Longford, or Bexley or Somerville of the City of Kawartha Lakes; or Cavendish and Galway of Peterborough County, for a period of at least 12 months, and paid the annual membership fee of ten dollars (\$10).

Membership in the Corporation entitles an individual to vote at any meeting of the Corporation. New members must register at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of the meeting. Therefore, to be eligible to vote at the AGM, new memberships must be obtained by March 24 2004. Membership from last year, 2003/04, will expire at the close of this AGM.

Members of the Corporation are also entitled to nominate Directors for election to the Board by submitting in writing a nomination which must be received by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board at least thirty days before the Annual General Meeting.

The fee may be paid, and a membership card obtained, at both sites of the HHHS, Minden and Haliburton, during regular business hours, or by contacting the Haliburton Highlands Health Services at Box 115, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 or telephone: 705-457-1392 ext.248 / facsimile 705-457-2398 or email: brussell@hhhs.on.ca

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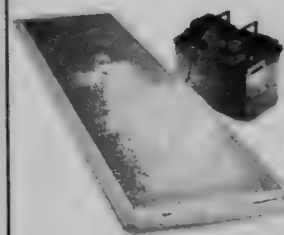
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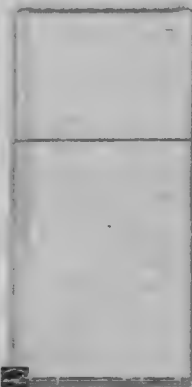


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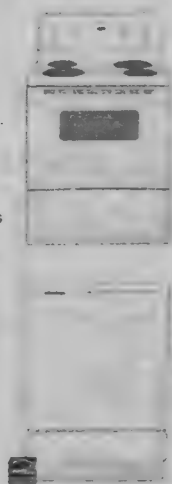
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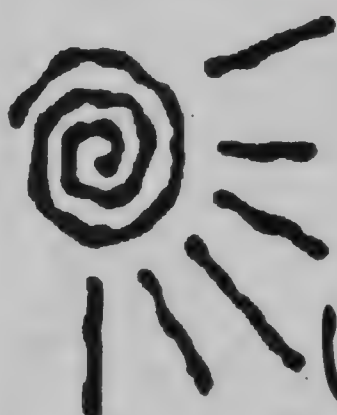
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The Highland Storm Atom AE team, sponsored by Curry Motors along with MacDonald, Ticker & Associates, has received a bye in the preliminary round of playoffs, which meant the squad found themselves waiting four weeks before entering into this quarter-final series against the Oro Thunder.

The series started with a home-and-away weekend which began on Valentine's Day in Minden where the home team earned its first victory against Oro with a 3-2 score. Scoring for the Storm were Michael Mazara, Brady Kent and Chris Judge with assists from Jacob Kidd, Stephan Schollig and Johnathan Rae.

A second victory in Oro on Sunday, February 15 saw a 3-1 conclusion. Scoring in this game were Samantha Tallman, Brady Kent and Dillon Upton. Assisting them were Chris Judge, Brady Kent, Stephan Schollig, and Marcie Dick.

With two big wins under the Storm's belts the teams met the following Friday in Haliburton for a third game.

In game three, the possibility of elimination made the Thunder come back strong to take a 2-0 victory to keep them

in the series and make the Storm travel to Oro for on February 21.

Game four was an intense, fast-paced, hard-hitting, end-to-end battle which saw both teams score two goals each in regulation time to force the first overtime of this series. In the 10-minute sudden death period the Storm found themselves on a penalty kill for the first four minutes, due to a major penalty called late in the third. The Storm managed to thwart Oro's advantage, but unfortunately could not themselves break the tie as time expired and the contest ended in a draw. Scoring for the Storm were Dillon Upton from Chris Judge and Michael Mazara and Nick Freeman from Stephan Schollig and Brady Kent.

In another energetic and exciting encounter, both teams fought back and forth to a 3-3 tie, again forcing overtime. Scoring in regulation for the Storm was Dillon Upton unassisted, Stephan Schollig with assists from Marcie Dick and Dillon Upton and the tying goal was scored by Dillon Upton from Stephan Schollig and Jon Salvatori. This second overtime of the series had the added excitement of a penalty shot; unfortunately it was to be awarded to Oro but the Storm goalie, Rob Lewis, shut the door to keep the teams playing. But with

four minutes left Oro scored to tie up the series at 5 points for each team and forcing a game six and another trip to Oro on Monday, February 23.

No pressure, just another school night, right? Due to the series deadline date this would be the fourth day of hockey in a row for the teams. Still a player short the Storm came out and showed just what they were capable of in this Storm-dominated showdown that saw our players shut-out the Thunder team in an outstanding 4-0 final which would eliminate Oro and allow the Storm to advance to the next round of playoffs.

Scoring for the Storm were Chris Judge and Stephan Schollig with two each. Assists went to Brady Kent and Colby Cunningham with two each and singles to Michael Mazara and Chris Judge. This was a great defensive effort with the shut-out going to Rob Lewis. He had a lot of help from his defence which included Johnathan Rae, Jon Salvatori, Michael Mazara and Chris Judge.

Well done, boys and girls and coaching staff, and congratulations on a well-deserved victory. Good luck in the semi-finals when facing the Ennismore Eagles.

The Atom AE's home schedule is:

Friday, March 5 @ 7:30 p.m. - Game 4
Sunday, March 7th @ 4:30 - Game 6



The nordic ski competition of the Senior Games was held recently in Haliburton's Glebe Park. Competitors predicted the time it would take to finish the five-kilometre course; the skiers who came in closest to their time won. The top three finishers, as follows, advance to the Winterfest Games in Barrie next year. Ladies: Ruth Orr (above), Margaret Brogden, Liv Anderson. Men: Ralph Mintz, Giles Connelly, Vic Orr.



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**The boys are gearing up
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Name: Tanner Ballantyne # 5
Age: 8
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Shoots: Right
Height: 4' 4"
Weight: 62 lbs.



Name: Nick Hunter # 3
Age: 8
Position: Centre
Shoots: Left
Height: 4' 4"
Weight: 60 lbs.



Name: Kris Calvert # 6
Age: 8
Position: Right Wing
Shoots: Right
Height: 4' 6"
Weight: 67 lbs.



Name: Jacob Harrison # 10
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Weight: 67 lbs.



Name: Jordan Howe # 12
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Shoots: Right
Height: 4' 5"
Weight: 68 lbs.



Name: Michael Nelson # 11
Age: 8
Position: Left Defence
Shoots: Left
Height: 4' 4"
Weight: 60 lbs.



Name: Taylor Rowbotham # 14
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Height: 4' 2"
Weight: 53 lbs.



Name: Stewart Chaulk # 15
Age: 8
Position: Left Wing
Shoots: Left
Height: 4' 5"
Weight: 66 lbs.



Name: Donovan MacInnes # 17
Age: 8
Position: Right Wing
Shoots: Right
Height: 4' 2"
Weight: 58 lbs.



Name: Ben Hicks # 16
Age: 8
Position: Right Defence
Shoots: Right
Height: 4' 5"
Weight: 68 lbs.



Name: Zach Boice # 19
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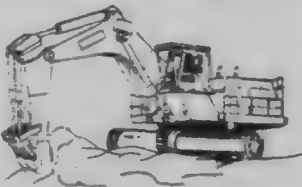
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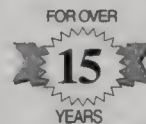
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Landowners should have input on trail

To the Editor:

Re: the Rail Trail

The original right-of-way to the railroad bed was purchased for \$1 by forward thinking leaders. I know this from the legal documents we have for our farm situated along this right-of-way. The original purpose of this railroad was for the benefit of the whole community by providing safe economical transporta-

tion of goods and people in and out of our community. Although this mission may have been altered when the tracks were removed, the right-of-way needs to continue to the benefit of the whole community.

The issue for the landowners along the rail trail is that the right-of-way imposes financial and legal liabilities of them: Some people using the trail trespass onto adjacent properties. This creates garbage,

property damage, theft and accident liability for these property owners. The County of Haliburton has done little to correct landowners' concerns. In other jurisdictions, courts have imposed the right-of-way owners with the legal responsibility to build and maintain fences along their right-of-way.

I have written to the county with questions and not received a meaningful reply to my enquiries. The rail trail steering committee did not include any adjacent landowners. This was a serious omission because the adjacent landowner perspective could have helped set the priorities for the corridor. Concerns about this omission were expressed at the first public meeting but were not addressed. Having all stakeholders participating, from the outset, could have provided the positive base for decisions

that affect the whole community.

Now as we move towards resolving these issues I would encourage two things 1) the County of Haliburton to actively include all stakeholders in the ongoing consultation process, and 2) that the County of Haliburton provide public legal opinion of what is legally permitted in the original right-of-way documents.

Rural communities are in need of positive and forward thinking leadership as we face the challenges of an ever growing urban society. How can we all work together to improve relations to bring people and goods into this highland community?

Godfrey Tyler
Haliburton

Anyone for a rail trail referendum

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grass to mow with a lawnmower and my house is energy efficient - so how does that fit? Am I metaphorically a good guy or a bad guy?

It is a "small town" and some might suggest that in a small community it is all the more important that issues come out in the open and that the back room dealings that are publicly funded should be more transparent. We thank the Echo and the Times for covering these issues and we hope in the name of good journalism that you provide facts and represented balance to your articles including naming names as necessary. People have a right to know where others stand on issues. If the line is crossed into slander there is a remedy in litigation and one should always remember it's a two-way street.

We know trail use is a passionate subject in the community. ATVs aside my biggest personal fear is the urbanization of trails in Haliburton County. Haliburton isn't Oakville - yet - and people have hunted, hiked, ATVed,

snowmobiled and recreated for generations in this county, co-existing without undue restriction. As I was quoted "We're [Haliburton] not getting our fair share of anything [tourism]" Haliburton is being outflanked and out marketed on all quarters. ATV tourism is one more example where we struggle while others around us seize the opportunity and reap economic profits in their community. This includes not only our neighbouring communities but provinces such as Quebec and New Brunswick that continue to develop and promote ATV trail infrastructure to their economic benefit because the market is a reality with low resource impact for the high economic return.

I promise - this is the last letter from me on the topic of ATVs in Haliburton County. It's time to move on one way or the other. Haliburton and its good people have to decide what it wants to be. Anyone for a referendum?

Mark Coles
President
Haliburton ATV Club

Smoke-free Duke of Dysart appreciated by customers

To the Editor:

We were very pleased to read last week about the Duke of Dysart going smoke free as of March 1. We have found both their food and their service to be very good, but we have only been to the Duke twice. We stopped going because of the smoke. We will make a point of patronizing the new smoke-free Duke of Dysart.

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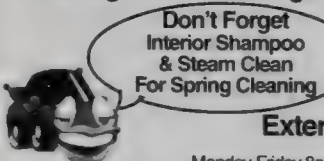
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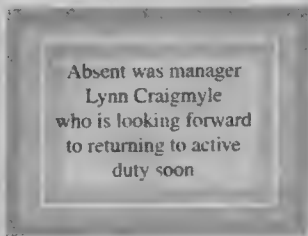
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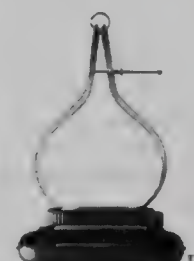
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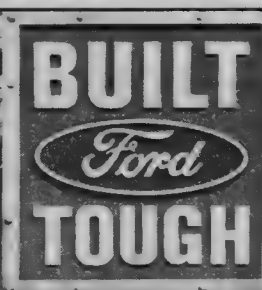
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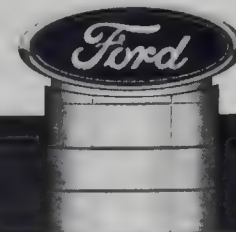
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After suffering from polymyalgia rheumatica for seven years, Bona Duncan has become an expert in how to deal with pain. She says the trick is to arm yourself with all the weapons - medication, home help, faith - and then lean into it. "You take the sting out of it."

A STUDY IN PAIN

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

A STUBBED TOE. The pain is intense, sharp. Your body instinctively doubles over as it absorbs the impact of such a direct assault on your sensitive nerve endings.

A headache. This pain hovers just above your brain's radar, pulsating with a constant reminder that your body is undergoing some sort of stress.

Polymyalgia rheumatica. A member of the auto-immune family of diseases that includes arthritis and multiple sclerosis, it gives the sufferer an average of 5.2 years of all kinds of pain before it exhausts its ability to cause suffering.

Bona Duncan is on year seven of polymyalgia rheumatica. There are days she literally can't move because her neck, shoulders and arms are like petrified limbs of an ancient tree. Even on her better days she can't become fully functional until a hot shower unlocks her upper body.

As a result, she has unwittingly become an expert on the subject of pain. "Pain is exhausting," she says, sitting in the living room of her amazing limestone house just north of Norland, her legs curled up underneath her as the afternoon sun flowing through the large windows creates an almost ethereal air around her. Duncan speaks quietly, calmly, and she moves the same way, as

if such practised gentleness will not wake the demons inside her.

"Labour pain," says the mother of two daughters, "is the worst pain I've had but there's a glorious outcome so you endure. Chronic pain never ends. It just goes on and on and on. What you learn how to do is lean into the pain. You take the sting out of it. You almost intellectually describe the pain to yourself; my pain is -. Then you say, Okay, I know what it is, I'll move through it to the other side. You still have it and you're very uncomfortable but you incorporate it into who you are at the moment."

She's a bit like the circus performer who loses her footing on the high wire and is falling into the crowd below. Instead of tensing her body as she prepares to hit the net, she relaxes into the fall, forcing all her muscles to relax, thereby reducing her chances of being injured.

Don't try to "guard against" pain, she says. "If you do that, it's worse. [The way you deal with pain] has to be intentional. What choice do you have? Lie in bed all the time? That's nonsense."

Duncan was recently profiled in the local Palliative and Bereavement Care Coalition's newsletter. The services provided by coalition members are part of the arsenal she uses in her battle against pain.

Her strongest sword is medication. When she was first diagnosed, she took 70 mg of prednisone a day; she's now

down to 3.5 mg. Then there are the other drugs she has to take to counteract the side effects of taking so much prednisone, not to mention an anti-depressant to help her cope with the frustration, anger and endlessness of it all.

"The key is to have enough to control the symptoms but no more. It's getting the lowest dose for the best control. The bottom line is how much pain can you tolerate and have a quality of life."

She has nothing but praise for her doctor, Kinmount's Elena Mihiu, who almost single-handedly tends to the needs of patients in northern Victoria County. "She is wonderful, supportive. She listens. The other day I went in and was so upset. I felt I wasn't coping well. I started crying and she just came and put her arms around me. She understands who I am."

That hug from Dr. Mihiu recognizes that illness is not just physical. Pain also affects us psychologically, emotionally. It drains you of sleep, not allowing your body and mind to recuperate for another day at battle. It can consume your very being.

The sympathetic care she gets from Dr. Mihiu, who treats her as a whole person, complements the equally-valued efforts of her rheumatologist in Peterborough, Dr. Ivan McCully. "He is more interested in the disease rather than how I am affected by it."

But when she leaves the doctors' offices and fills her prescriptions, she

must return home. Her husband John is a true friend and partner but he too has health problems - he just had hip replacement surgery - and he has not been able to fully care for her. They could not cope as well as they do at home without the care they get through the Access Centre.

The Access Centre is the crucial link between the patient and the available services. Whether it's arranging short-term care for someone just getting out of the hospital or finding an appropriate facility for someone with Alzheimer's or providing palliative care to a cancer patient who wants to die at home, the centre's staff addresses a person's entire healthcare needs.

For the Duncans, that means arranging for a woman to come to their home for four hours a week to help with the bigger housekeeping duties.

"I don't think I could manage without her," says Duncan.

At first it was very difficult for Duncan to admit she couldn't do some of these chores herself, especially given how much she had been able to accomplish when she was director of care in a 110-bed nursing home in Sarnia. Back then it wasn't uncommon for her to work 60 hours a week and still find time to balance all her home commitments. And now not be able to get the laundry done? Unthinkable.

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Being a patient doesn't come naturally

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"Intellectually I can see where I was five years ago and say a lot of shoulds. You should be able to do your housework. You should be able to be active in the community. You should be able to do your own cooking. But shoulds have nothing to do with it."

Her background as a nurse made it more difficult to accept her role as patient, as a person in need of others' ministrations. "The nurse to patient transition is not easy," she says. "You have to learn how to be a patient, learn how to be ill, and, conversely, you have to learn how to be well...."

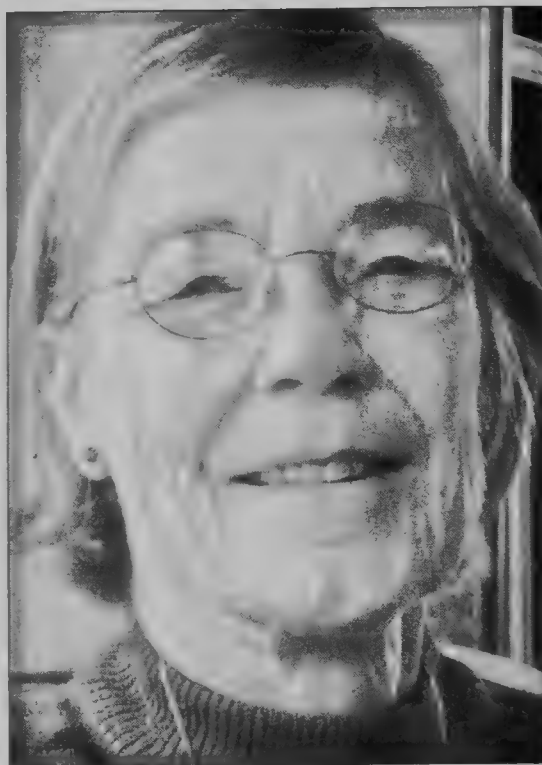
"You take all the measures you can to be comfortable without being self-pitying."

Faith is another important component of her fight against pain. Her father was a United Church minister and John is a retired Presbyterian minister; their new church family congregates at the Coboconk Anglican church.

"It's putting yourself in God's hands or being absolutely sure you have someone who is supporting you, walking with you," she says. For those who say "Why would God let this [pain or suffering] happen?", she says "God weeps."

"It's about making the pain liveable. It's acceptance in light of our present situation. In whatever circumstances, God is with me."

She had a special friendship with Mona Rush, whose own path to the priesthood in Coboconk started as a lay preacher at a Toronto hospital, giving



her a heightened awareness of the needs of those who are suffering.

"What a fine woman," Duncan says of the retired priest. "She'd be here every other week. The key is to have someone who sees you disease and all, pain and all, and acknowledges that it's real."

Given how much time the Duncans must spend in their home, they feel fate brought them to this incongruous stone house on Highway 35. Long-time cottagers in the area, they had always

'You have to learn how to be a patient, learn how to be ill, and, conversely, you have to learn how to be well.... You take all the measures you can to be comfortable without being self-pitying.'

thought the two-storey square house was a garage. From the outside it appears like a stone box but its true beauty is revealed when you step inside.

Built by John Beachli as his tribute to the art of stone-cutting, the interior is like a medieval church with its exposed, hand-cut limestone slabs and large wooden beams. There is an instant contentedness, an air of both solitude and joy. The Duncans say it's as if every piece of furniture, every piece of art - from their Chinese prints to ancient Persian rugs to Maxfield Parrish paintings - that they've collected over the years were made specifically for this house.

Here, listening to the music that gladdens their soul, and reading the books that enrich their minds, they have their

own complete, almost self-sufficient world.

"We had no idea our retirement would be as sedentary as it is but aren't we blessed it's here," she smiles. "Everywhere you go in the house it's uplifting."

(On a more practical side, she adds, it's good that their home is a house of many rooms because "When two people are in pain in a house it can be 'interesting.'")

What a difference this life is compared to the one endured by her grandmother and father, from whom she inherited the predilection for auto-immune diseases.

"My grandmother took to her bed for the last 20 years of her life. She had no life. My father was also afflicted by arthritis. When he turned over he'd whimper in his sleep and you could hear the bones rub. Then he became deaf from 40 years of Aspirin. How did he stand it? He did it by true grit. He was remarkable."

But people no longer need to survive on pure grit alone. Duncan says you have to learn to be an advocate for yourself, or find someone who can do it for you. Accepting pain does not mean accepting more pain than is necessary. Using the services available, including your doctors and the Access Centre, people can find balance in their lives.

As the afternoon visit draws to a close, she gets up from her chair and walks over to a nook set in the stone wall beside the fireplace. There she picks up a raku statue that she calls Four Square. It shows a woman standing tall against an invisible but powerful wind.

"I am four-square to every wind that blows," she says. "No matter what comes, you just withstand it."

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AMY GRIEVES

HHSS Co-op student

A sombre mood settled over the gym on Friday as a tall, slim, clean-cut man stepped forward to speak to the entire student body at HHSS. He was not an actor, or an astronaut, or anyone overly famous; he wasn't even someone that most students would have been familiar with.

His name is Rob Ellis and he is a dad, one who lost his son in a tragic accident. He came to the high school to promote workplace safety at the behest of Hydro One's Brian Tink.

"Losing a child is a very tough thing to go through. First and foremost it's someone that you love. The tragedy sets your life in a whole new direction," Ellis said of the accident that took the life of his son David, who was killed on February 17, 1999 in a workplace accident.

David, who was only 18, was on his second day of the job in a bakery. He was left alone to work on cleaning an industrial mixer without formal training. Somehow a switch was turned on and the mixer started with David plunging headfirst into it. No one can ever know the fear and trepidation that David must have felt at that moment. No one can ever tell you what thoughts were running through his head.

David is not in this world any longer, but his father keeps his memory alive by raising awareness of safety at the workplace to high school, college, and university students, presidents and CEOs, and moms and dads. Ellis sold his small business to become a full-time speaker to share his story and prevent other accidents "I wanted to do something for David and his friends."

Ellis began the assembly by telling his audience a little bit about his son.

"My son Dave loved life, he was a musician, he played guitar and drums. He had his own band called NUM (No Use for Mullets). He loved sports, basketball, football, and hockey. He had a mid-80 average and had plans on going off to University in the fall. David loved helping people. He used to feed people who were without, he would hand



Rob Ellis talks about what happened to his son, David

out blankets to those on the streets. He would have been a great leader in the future."

A video was shown entitled "We miss David..." As images of David were shown on the screen one couldn't help but notice his smile. A warm loving smile, one that looked like it could win the battle of tears when they threatened to pour down his friends' and family's cheeks. A welcoming smile, an accepting smile: David looked like the kind of guy who would embrace and love anyone no matter what.

David was a leader in the classroom, he stood up for his faith and what he believed in. He is a young man who is deeply and desperately missed by his family every minute of every day.

Ellis tried to help the students understand his pain as a way of stressing the need to prevent the same fate befalling other families.

"Stand with me right now in your mind. I'm at the bed-

side of my son David, whom I love, and you're at the bedside of someone that you love, whether it is a mom, dad, brother, sister, or aunt. You're at their bedside and you're hoping for good news. But the doctor comes out and draws the white curtain closed. As he walks out he is shaking his head. After David died the employers at the bakery, said 'We're very sorry for the loss of your son, but it wasn't our responsibility.' They wiped David's blood from inside the mixer and off the walls and were back to business the next day."

After painting this word picture he proceeded to tell the students how to stay safe on the job with three points: fear, condition, and machismo.

"It takes a lot of courage to leave an unsafe job. Money should never ever rule your decision." Says Rob. "You guys are the smartest generation, you have computers and all this technology. I respect you, it's okay to ask your employer questions. David didn't ask the questions, he just did the job. So when you need courage to ask an employer anything think of my son David."

To finish off Rob took some questions, making a competition out of it, the best question asked received \$20. Jeff Chislet, a Grade 12 student, topped all the questions: "If you could ask Dave any question what would it be?"

Ellis paused before answering. "I would ask him, what more can I do to help your friends," he said.

In an interview before the assembly, Ellis said, "It's rewarding what I do because I see changes. Dave would've been happy because his friends and fellow students are running with knowledge and accidents are reduced."

"Dave influenced me to get off the couch and make the influences for the future. He wouldn't have wanted me to point my finger and blame people, but make a difference."

If a student could take only one thing away from the assembly it's the need to ask the questions: Do you have orientation and training? And demand respect from your employer. Remember that this generation is the leader of tomorrow.

"I have to take a deep breath before I tell this one," Ellis said as he reminisced about playing basketball with David on a bright sunny day. "Dave you've got to slow down, your old man can't keep up," he told his son.

Today, it's one of the memories that just won't go away. "It's the simple things I remember."

He smiles as he finished the assembly, the same warm smile that was vibrant on David's face.

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Skaters delight audience

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wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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this year and seemed to work well for performers and their audience. Supporters, families, and friends were enthusiastic in the stands as their favourite skaters performed their programs with improved skills and confidence. Most of the 29 junior skaters and 17 senior members of the club skated in the show. Wendy Gray of the Moose FM was an excellent emcee. Costumes make such a difference to the skaters and to the audience. The colourful skirts and scarves and the smart tuxedo-type outfits in the senior group numbers, for example, lit up the ice and made the skaters proud during their precision routines. From the little beginners in Teddy Bears' Picnic, Lollipops, The FlinTstones and Yellow Submarine to the more experienced skaters in The Twist, Rock Around The Clock and We Go Together, to the seniors in Greased. Lightening, YMCA, Summerlove, and New

"Remember When", the Figure Skating Club's 2004 Carnival, was performed at the arena in Wilberforce on Sunday, February 29, a pleasant springlike afternoon. This afternoon time was new

York, New York, the program of group numbers was very entertaining.

Pairs presenting neatly co-ordinated programs were Ashley Alden and Bobbi-Jo Lewis, Lauren Graham and Candice Grimes, Katie Montgomery and Kendal Montgomery, Caitlan Hunter and Megan MacDuff.

Soloists Amber Loney, Caitlan Hunter, Ashley Sharpe, Leigha Johnston, Bobbi-Jo Lewis, Ashley Alden and Kimberly Toews skated with musicality, skill and showmanship. Way to go girls! It shows your hard work, stamina, courage, and creativity.

The audience and the local club members greatly appreciated the guest skaters, all from the Bancroft Club. They were soloists Dana Cooper (11), and Ashley Howran(11), and pairs Robyn Carr (17), and Kerri Caron (15).

The most improved junior skater for 2003-2004 was Robbie Mulley. The most improved senior skater was Megan MacDuff. Most improved skaters of the club for 2003-2004 were Katie and Kendall Montgomery. Katie was also the top chocolate seller in raising funds for Club jackets.

Many thanks go to Club President Linda Toews and Vice President Brenda Berning to head coach Andrea Donaldson and assistant coach Chrystal Hannah, volunteer teachers Linda Toews and Robin Graham. And to the many volunteers who have run the Highlands East Recreational Figure Skating Club this year. Your work is evident in the show, the costumes, the scenery of lights,

curtains, and stairs were simple but very effective, choice of music and above all skills and confidence of the skaters. The kids of Highlands East are lucky to have this opportunity. (Look for photo coverage in next week's Echo)

World Day of Prayer this Friday March 5, 2004 is being put on by the women of St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Highland Grove. It will be held in the afternoon beginning at two this year. The worship service was written by the women of Panama and prepared and adapted in Canada by the women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. All are welcome.

St. Margaret's Anglican Church Shrove Tuesday Pancake Suppers were enjoyed by about one hundred people on February 24. The help was provided by so many; it was greatly appreciated.

The W. Heritage Guild has their annual quilt for raffling on the frames at the Outpost. Quilters are welcome to lend a few hours over the next several weeks. It all helps in keeping our museum open.

It was a real treat to attend the National Ballet's production of *The Sleeping Beauty* at the Hummingbird Centre in Toronto on the weekend. This is the production choreographed by the famous, the late Rudolf Nureyev and restaged this year by Karen Kain. Though retired for several years Kain drew a huge crowd for a "Ballet Chat" before the performance on Saturday. The set, the costumes, the dancing were all spectacular.

And while in Toronto it was great to take in a performance of "The Hollow Crown" at the Princess of Wales Theatre. To see famous actors Vanessa Redgrave, Donald Sinden, Ian Richardson, Alan Howard and Stephen Gray perform just a few metres away was a great experience.

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Signs of spring are always welcome

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harcourt

Valerie Smith
448-3640

It was late in the afternoon the other day as I looked out the window and I was very pleased to see the sun remained so high in the sky. Glorious sunrises danced their way through the trees casting radiant beams upon the shadowed blanket of snow. You could see the rays were slowly heating up the snow making it softer and softer. The long icicles dangled from the veranda edge like crystal drops of a chandelier and dripped rhythmically to leave their fingerprints in the snow below. Soon the lakes will absorb the longer day's heat energy and the frozen waters will slowly dissipate. Yes the days are getting longer bringing spring nearer and nearer. As I stand here sneezing, I hope that with the coming of warm weather, the cold viruses that plague so many will disappear and good health will be restored to all.

As difficult a task it may be, Mel Smith has stepped forward to co ordinate the Thursday night Euchre games at the Harcourt Community Centre. This past Thursday evening saw 26 people out to enjoy the evening. Men's high points were won by Doug Baumhour. Men's most lone hands were awarded to Mel Smith. Lady's high points were won by Dorothy Coglein and lady's most lone hands went to Jean Baumhour. A big thank you to Betty Hayward for assisting Mel. Taking care of the Thursday night Euchre was one of Dolly Ragnar's pet undertakings. Mel has a hard act to follow.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Doreen and Elwin Oakes who lost Elwin's brother-in-law Bob Richardson,

this week due to a sudden heart attack.

An invitation is extended to all persons wishing to submit a tender for the cleaning of Harcourt Community Centre. All tenders are due April 1, 2004. Please contact Ross Covert at 448 3196 for more information.

"Include the Food - Train the Brain" - School Food Programs are in all schools in Haliburton County and providing at least one of the following: breakfast, healthy snack or lunch programs. At Wilberforce E.S. volunteers provide morning snacks on Tuesday and Thursdays. Snacks are delivered to all classrooms and are free to all students. If you wish information on how you can help at your local school - volunteer, adopt a classroom or school nourishment program, make a group donation as a service club or business, organize a fund raising event at your workplace, please contact Karen Phipps, Co ordinator of Food For Kids at 705 457-1311.

Something to think about....

When an adult looks at a patch of dandelions, they see a bunch of weeds. A child sees flowers for Mom and blowing white fluff to wish upon. When an adult looks at an old drunk and that drunk smiles at them, all the adult sees is a smelly, dirty person who probably wants money and they look away. A child sees someone smiling at them and they smile back. When an adult hears music they love and yet knows they can't carry a tune and don't have much rhythm, they sit and listen. A child feels the beat and moves to it. They sing out the words and if they don't know them, they make up their own. When an adult feels wind on their face, they brace themselves against it and worry about it

messing their hair. A child closes its eyes, spreads its arms and flies with it until they fall to the ground laughing. When an adult sees mud puddles they step around it because they see muddy shoes and dirty carpets. Not a child - they sit in it. They see dams to build, rivers to cross and worms to play with.

Life should not be measured by the number of breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away. Enjoy the little things in life, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things.

Up-Coming Events:

March 3 - Harcourt Community Centre. Bingo starting at 7:30 p.m.

March 4 - Harcourt Community Centre. Euchre starting at 7:30 p.m.

March 6 - The Wilberforce Volunteer Fire Fighters are holding their Annual Fish Derby. Cost is \$12 per person, which includes entry into derby plus a Steak Supper at Tory Hill Community Centre. Fishing will take place in Bucks Lake only starting at 9:00 a.m. Families are encouraged to come out, as this is a fun day. Children up to age of 10 years are free. For more information please call Dave Burton at 448 9355 or Rob Alden at 447 2797.

March 7 - Harcourt Community Chapel starting at 7:00 p.m. will be hosting Speaker Mr. John Pettit. Mr. Pettit and his wife Helen will present special music for the evening. Everyone welcome.

March 12 - Wheels To Meals Luncheon at Elephant Lake Lodge. Reservations required, please call Eileen Knox 448 2596.

New support group will provide help to people caring for the elderly or disabled

Several community partners in Haliburton County are facilitating a new information and support group for anyone who spends their time, energy and resources caring for an elder family member, neighbour, friend or person living with a disability. The group will give caregivers the opportunity to come together to gain information, share their knowledge and skills, and provide one another with practical and emotional support.

Informal caregivers are individuals who provide unpaid assistance to ensure that the physical, medical, social and/or psychological needs of another person - often a family member - are met. These caregivers provide most of the community-based care in Canada. It is estimated that 4.5 million Canadians - or 14% of women and 10% of men - are informal caregivers.

The National Respite Care Project (Canadian Association for Community Care, 1998) shows that caregivers need information, personal support, respite care, and advocacy to help them carry out their caregiv-

ing roles. Yet, because of their isolating and time-consuming role, they often do not have the opportunity to seek out the help they need. Through this new group, we strive to help support caregivers in their vital roles - and to acknowledge that besides being caregivers, they are real people, with their own needs, interests and aspirations.

The caring with Confidence support group will be held on the fourth Thursday of each month starting March 25. Meetings will be held at Home Support Services in Haliburton in the Halco Plaza from 10 a.m. to 12:30. Respite care and transportation may be provided if needed. Attendance is free.

Each session will include discussing topics of interest to the participants, such as managing stress, navigating community resources, and dealing with burn out. Refreshments will be served. For more information, or to join the group, please call Haliburton County Home Support Services, 457-2941.

An ideal snowshuffle

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2308

Snowshuffle weather was ideal for the annual poker run, with good trails, good riders, good meals and a good time at the dance to end it all. Shane Sisson was the big winner for the Run. Other prizes were handed-out as well; 161 participated as riders and 187 were for the dinner at the Centre with more who came for the dance.

Congratulations once again to the Centre's committee, particularly Greg and Cheryl Cooper who oversaw all the arrangements.

A former resident of the Irish Line, Agnes Houghton passed away last week at her home in Staunworth apartments in Minden. Our sympathy to her family who will be missing her so much.

Best wishes on her retirement to Laurel Yateman who began her work as RNA at Hyland Crest, continued in her chosen profession for years at Minden Hospital, and concluded with her later years as a visiting nurse, working 39 years in all.



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Note: We thank all applicants for their interest however only those selected for an interview will be notified.

Notice to Truckers - 2004 Spring Load Restrictions

Under the *Highway Traffic Act*, the province enforces reduced load restrictions on trucks to protect Ontario's highways during spring thaw, when road damage is most likely to occur.

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The actual date of reduced load limit enforcement will be in effect when and where signs are posted. All annual and project permits for moving of heavy vehicle loads, objects or structures, in excess of limits set out in the Act, unless otherwise specified are not valid on any highways during the Reduced Loads Period.

Single trip permits, for moving of overloads on highways not designated in schedules 1, 2 and 3, may be issued, but are subject to axle controls established by the Ministry of Transportation.

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612	Muskoka/Parry Sound district boundary, north to Hwy. 69		

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Razzamatazz brings third show to town

Razzamataz Kids Shows announces its third show of the season, a wacky puppet-filled revival of the great old travelling snake-oil salesman shows. On Sunday, March 7 at 2 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Join Hands Puppeteers will present, "Colonel W.D.Quackhorn's Extraordinary Travelling Medicine Show."

The Colonel is a big bold character (who resembles that famous chicken-selling colonel). He is expounding the virtues of his wonderful elixir, which he promises to sell to the audience at the end of the show. His sidekick is a monkey, who will somehow grow to 200 pounds during part of the show. We will also see the Wild Giant Grasshoppers of Borneo who dance the can-can, the Singing Catfish who can't say the letter "s" without spitting, the Largest Egg in the World which will hatch before your very eyes, and an Exotic Plant

who does a really decent James Brown impersonation. This performance is sponsored by Curry Motors and Haliburton Rotary. Look for our new mascot Razzie the Orangutan, who will be greeting children and parents in the lobby before the show. We are starting to plan next season now, and hope to have the Early Bird brochures available soon. Tickets for the performance are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children, and are available at the door. Children under 2 are always free. For more information, call Amy Klose at 457-4266.



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NOTICE
(Applicant - ONLOCK)

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of The Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 13th day of April, 2004, at 9:00a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 1 and 2 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd., O.L.S., dated September 25, 2003. (Part 2 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

The Preliminary Plan of Survey, as referred to above, is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 2nd day of March, 2004.

SHARON STOUGHTON-CRAIG
CAO/CLERK-TREASURER
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NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING
TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION
TO PURCHASE ROAD ALLOWANCE
MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

DATE: March 8th, 2004
TIME: any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:
The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared the following parcels of land to be surplus. These parcels of land are parts of original road allowances, allowances for road or shoreline road allowances, located in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton.

- Applicant: Alstructural Handling Inc.
Location: Eagle Lake
Shoreline Road Allowance
Part of the Shoreline Road Allowance In Front of Lot 27, Concession 4 Township of Guilford.
Defined as Parts 1 and 2 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd., being available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicant: Edwards
Location: Loon (Dudmon) Lake
Shoreline Road Allowance
Part of the Shoreline Road Allowance In Front of Lot 3, Concession 1 Township of Dudley
Defined as Parts 4 and 5 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd., being available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicants: Fawn's Point Inc.
Location: Eagle Lake
Shoreline Road Allowance
Part of the Shoreline Road Allowance In Front of Lot 28, Concession 4 Township of Guilford
Defined as Parts 2 and 3 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd., being available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicants: Pentney
Location: Kennisis Lake
Shoreline Road Allowance
Part of the Shoreline Road Allowance In Front of Lot 1, Concession 1 Township of Havelock
Defined as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd., being available for review in the Planning Department.
- Applicants: Tait
Location: Kawagama Lake
Original Road Allowance
Part of the Original Road Allowance Between the Township of Havelock in the Municipality of Dysart et al and The Township of Sherbourne in the Municipality of Algonquin Highlands through Simmons (Big Trout) Island
Defined as Parts 4, 6, 7 and 8 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by H. Curry Bishop, OLS., being available for review in the Planning Department.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portions of road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

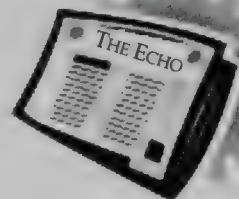
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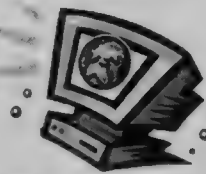
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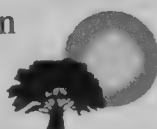
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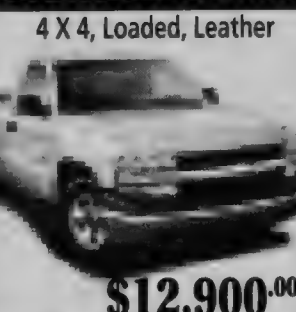
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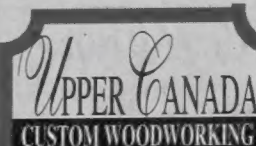
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March 17
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Live Band
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HOWARD JACKSON SUTHERLAND, deceased

All creditors and others having claims
against the Estate of HOWARD
JACKSON SUTHERLAND, late, of
the Township of Minden, in the Coun-
ty of Haliburton, who died on or about
the 15th day of January, 2004, are re-
quired to file the particulars of such
claim with the undersigned Execu-
tor on or before the 24th day of March,
2004.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last
date named, the assets of the said
Estate will be distributed amongst the
persons hereto entitled, having regard
only to the claims of which the Execu-
tor for the Estate shall have notice.
DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this
18th day of February, 2004, by ROGER
DART, P.O. Box 1038, Haliburton,
Ontario K0M 1S0, Executor for the
Estate of Howard Jackson Suther-
land.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE

GLADYS WINNIFRED TANGUAY
All creditors and others having claims
against the Estate of GLADYS WIN-
NIFRED TANGUAY, late, of the
Township of Dysart, in the County of
Haliburton, who died on or about the
1st day of February, 2004, are re-
quired to file the particulars of such
claim with the undersigned solicitor
for the said Estate on or before the
9th day of March, 2004.

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date named, the assets of the said
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Trustee of the Estate, having regard
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DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this
10th day of February, 2004. RAY-
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counter this past Tuesday (Feb. 17)
about 4:30. You have a mass of gor-
geous dark-red hair. I wore orange
parka, black RCMP-type winter hat.
We joked about Dentyne gum not be-
ing hot enough. Love to see more of
you. If you're free and interested
please call me at 448-3818 or "For
all we know we may never meet
again".

Se busca a gentile de la raza para re-
unirse regularmente y discutir los
temas que sean de modo que no per-
damos el idioma. Si le interesa, favor
de llamar a Jaime a 448-3818.
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la langue française? Allons créer un
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opinions et former des amitiés nou-
velles. Si ça vous interet, bien vouloir
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THE FAMILY OF HARRY HOBDEN
would like to express our thanks to all
who sent cards while Harry was in
hospital. Thanks also go out to Dr.
Valaschaut, Dr. Dixie and staff of Pe-
terborough hospital for all they did for
him. To those that shared in our time
of loss, thank you for the donations,
cards, food, flowers and support, it
meant so much to all of us. To the Ma-
sons, Harry would have been so
proud to see so many present for such
a touching service. The family thanks
you. Friends from the O.E.S., church,
Leon and Alica, Ron and Margaret we
thank you for being there from the start
with your support for mom and dad.
To Gordon Monk Funeral Home your
kindness and support will not be for-
gotten. You were such a help to the
family and I. Thank you from all of us.
Harry was a man who gave of himself
to everyone, a man that was re-
spected and loved by many. He will
be sadly missed but always remem-
bered by his loving wife, children,
grandchildren, great grandchildren
and so many friends. **Neva and fam-
ily.**

The family of the late **GLEN
ALEXANDER LOCKHART** extends
sincere thanks to: City of Kawartha
Lakes E.; Gooderham Fire Dept.;
O.P.P. Sgt. Brian Ladurante, Robin
Carmount for their kindness and car-
ing; Father Gerry Campeau for the
beautiful Mass; Choir members: Toos
Reid, Rose Barry, Julia VanLieshout;
C.W.L. for their beautiful lunch; Dr.
Roos - Acting Coroner; Barry Cray
Funeral Director - Gordon Monk Fu-
neral Home Ltd. I would like to thank
our many family and friends for their
Mass cards, Floral Bouquets, Dona-
tions to the Heart & Stroke, Phone
Calls and kindness shown to me at
this very sad time. Our children,
grandchildren and extended family al-
so thank you. God bless each and
everyone of you. **Rita Lockhart.**

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU from the family of the late Hazel Gregory

We would like to thank the members of our extended
families and the host of friends who supported Mom and her
kids during the past few years. We are especially grateful for
the acts of kindness received since early December. The
wonderful floral and memorial tributes; food; cards and
letters brought a great deal of comfort to us all.

Special thanks to the staff of Extendicare and to Hyland
Crest for your care of Mom and for embracing her family as
part of your environment those last few weeks and most of
all, for helping Mom to keep smiling. Thank you to Barry,
Kirsten, Gord and Donna for their patient support and
compassion; to Dr. Roos and Dr. Campioni; to the members
of the Hyland Crest Palliative Care Team for their loving
concern; to Zion UCW for the lunch provided; to Rev. Peter
Walford-Davis for his assistance and guidance before and at
the celebration of Mom's life, to Melissa and the Choir for
the wonderful musical tributes and to rev. Max Ward for
sharing the last two hours of Mom's journey with us and
sharing in the Celebration of her life.

Our Mom, with her endearing smile, was a loving
combination of all it means to be a superb wife, mother,
grandmother, great grandmother, great great grandmother
and friend. Memories of her steadfast love, will always keep
Mom near to all the hearts that loved her.

WOW, WICKED GOOD! Thank you
everybody who came to our first ever
Paint seminar and thanks for all of the
positive feedback And ideas for up-
coming seminars. What a great night,
we had a blast putting this on. We
would also like to thank Alex and
Cathy of Kashaga Paint Design for
your great presentation and graciously
Fielding all kids of questions. And a
special thanks to Sue Trepanier for
preparing all the fantastic food. You
are certainly the hostess with the
mostess! **Cheryl & Celeste (Halibur-
ton Home Hardware)** P.S. Watch for
our next upcoming seminar this
spring.

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460 OBITUARIES

AGNES GRACE HOUGHTON
Passed away peacefully at the
Haliburton Hospital on Saturday,
February 21, 2004.
In her 73rd year.

Beloved wife of the late Fred Charles
Houghton. Loving mother of Fred and
his wife Darlene of Smithville, Bill and
his wife Julie of Minden, Gord and
Debbie of Port Dover, Pat and her
husband Rod Forwell of Lindsay and
predeceased by her son John Robert
"Jack". Fondly remembered by nine
grandchildren and by eight great
grandchildren. Survived by her brother
Andy and his wife Marg of Cam-
bridge, by sister-in-law Betty Borland
of Barrie and by many nieces and
nephews. In accordance with Agnes
wishes, Cremation has taken place
with interment of cremated remains
at the Maple Lake United Church
Cemetery in the Spring. Memorial do-
nations to the Cancer Society would
be appreciated and can be arranged
through the Gordon A. Monk Funer-
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**MACKIE, STEPHEN WILLIAM
GORDON** - Passed away suddenly
at his home Haliburton on Sunday,
February 22nd, 2004 in his 34th year.
Stephen, beloved son of Marjorie (nee
Vivian) and the late William Mackie of
Haliburton. Loving father of Brock.
Dear brother of Philip and his wife Su-
san of Lindsay and Jeannie of Cal-
gary. Predeceased by his brother
Georgie. Grandson of Dorothy Vivian
of Jarrett. Uncle of Kenneth, Laura,
Kyle and Nicole. Sadly missed by his
many Aunts, Uncles and Cousins.
Cremation has taken place. The fam-
ily received friends at the Doolittle-
Carson Funeral Home, 54 Coldwater
St. E., Orillia on Friday, February 27,
2004 from 11 o'clock until time of
Memorial Service, in the chapel, at
1 o'clock. If desired, memorial dona-
tions to the Haliburton Hospital Fund
or the Canadian Cancer Society
would be appreciated by the family.
There is an online book of condolence
at www.carsonfuneralhomes.com A
Memorial Tree will be planted in Al-
gonquin Park by the Doolittle-Carson
Funeral Home.

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At Rest O'NEILL, Loreen (nee Robertson) RN

Passed away peacefully
surrounded by her family at the
Haliburton Hospital on
Sunday, February 29, 2004.
In her 75th year.

Beloved wife of the late Ray
O'Neill. Dear mother of Randy
and Claudette of Haliburton,
Pat and the late Bruce Cowen
of Haliburton, Darrell and
Rachel of Thunder Bay, Kevin
and Nicole of Cornwall, Steve
and Shelly of Cambridge, Lori
and Shawn Carreau of Garden
Hill, Cathy and Dave Nuttall of
Alcona. Loving grandmother
of 16 grandchildren and 7 great
grandchildren. Beloved sister
of Dale Robertson.

Friends are invited to visit the
family at the Gordon A. Monk
Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main
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March 3, 2004 at 11:00am
Spring Interment at the
Evergreen Cemetery
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Memorial Donations to the
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family.

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- **Mar. 1 to May 18:** Highlands Parent Child Mother Goose Program. For parents and children, (birth to 2-1/2 years) learning rhymes, songs, and stories together. Join us for a friendly and relaxed morning of fun and learning! (Monday Mornings Mar. 1st to May 17, 10-11 a.m. in Minden). (Tuesday Mornings Mar. 2nd to May 18, 10-11 a.m. in Haliburton). For more information and to register please call: Ontario Early Years Centre: 286-1770 or Family Services: 457-5345. Free!
- **Mar. 3:** You are invited to the next introductory Alpha Celebration Supper, Wed., Mar 3 at 6 p.m. St. Paul's Anglican Church, North Water St., Minden. Everyone is welcome. Non free will offering accepted. Lorne Dinesen, 489-4870, St. Paul's Church, 286-2541. Sponsored by the combined communities of the Anglican and Roman Catholic parishes in Minden/Kinmount.
- **Mar. 3:** Bus trip to Canada Blooms. Bus leaves Minden Municipal parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and returns 9:30 p.m. Arranged by the Minden & District Horticultural Society. All welcome. Call Pat Dearborn at 286-5127 for cost and info.
- **Mar. 3:** H.H.S.S. Auxiliary - Haliburton Site. Wednesday, March 3, 1:30 p.m. at Hospital.
- **Mar. 5:** World Day of Prayer at Haliburton United Church, Friday, Mar. 5, 7 p.m. Text by Women of Panama. Guest speaker Barbara Smith. Refreshments. All men and women welcome.
- **Mar. 6:** Canoe FM is holding a St. Patty's Jig on Sat., Mar. 6, 7:30 p.m. at the Haliburton Legion Hall. Enjoy Jamie Bacon and a late evening lunch. Tickets available at Canoe FM, Henwoods Variety and Whisper's North gallery in Minden.
- **Mar. 6:** Ice Fishing Derby: Mar. 6, Salerno Lake, Irondale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Irondale Community Center. For more info contact: Theresia 447-3103, Sabine: 447-2313 or email: icc@irondalebiz.com
- **Mar. 9:** The second Tuesday of the month The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners invite you to their monthly meeting. Spin Identify, fibres/roving - with Wendy E. Bateman. Bring small baggies. 10:30 a.m. and Guest Artist Kim Bolender @ 1:30 p.m. Colour Values - Bring weave/knit projects for evaluation. March 9th at Haliburton Museum.
- **Mar. 10:** Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists - Please join us for our first "Members Show". Slides will illustrate wildflowers, mushrooms, Snowdon Park wetlands, trekking in the Himalayas and other topics of interest. Wed., March 10, Haliburton Museum at 7:30 p.m.
- **Mar. 11:** Canadian Federation of University Women - Haliburton Highlands monthly meeting at the Norman Sisco Centre. Thurs., Mar. 11 at 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker at 7:10 is Linda Coneybeare who will discuss the topic of living a healthy balanced lifestyle.
- **Mar. 15 - 18:** Join us each day for fun "activities to keep your school-aged and pre-schooler occupied. Ontario Early Years Centre, Haliburton location, Halco Plaza lower level. Call Wendy Baux 457-2989 for details.
- **Mar. 17:** Join Wendy and make a bird feeder to take home and feed the birds with. Ontario Early Years Centre, Haliburton location, Halco Plaza lower level. Call Wendy Baux 457-2989 for details.
- **Mar. 23:** Pancake & Sausage Day. Where your favourite PJ's and Join Wendy for a tasty breakfast of pancakes and sausages. We'll also be making "Apple Pigs" as a craft. Make your pig and eat it too! Ontario Early Years Centre, Haliburton location, Halco Plaza lower level. Call Wendy Baux 457-2989 for details.

ON-GOING EVENTS

- **March** - Volunteers are needed to help organize a Sneaker Day for Haliburton Village this year. Please call Anne-Marie at 457-1391 if you can spare a few hours to help plan.
- **Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.** Hand Drumming at the "Y" in Haliburton. All welcome. Call Fay at 754-4004 for more info.
- Haliburton County Home Support is looking for items for their on-going Treasure Table. If you are cleaning out your cupboards over the Christmas season, please remember that Home Support will take your used items for their fundraiser Treasure Table. Call 457-2941 for more info.

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editorial@haliburtonecho.on.ca, or brought in to the office. Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
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KENNISIS LAKE



Troy Austen*
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VACANT LOTS + ACREAGE

\$8,900 - 2.83 acre lot on Hwy 35 - Public access to Boshkung Lake nearby.
 \$13,000 - Yr md, relatively flat lot near Miskwabi Lake public access.
 \$16,900 - Great in-town lot, hydro, phone, sewers available - Fleming Rd, Minden.
 \$37,000 - 42+ acres, nicely treed, South exp., fronts on yr md rd - Gooderham Waterfront Properties.
 \$24,900 - Boyne Lake - 1.26 acres with lots of Birch trees, SE exp.
 \$129,000 - Otter Lake - 91 acres, nice shoreline, very private with 4-Wheel drive access, good hunting property. Call Linda & Troy.



Lenor Fulton & Tracy Ackerblade*

MAPLE LAKE

Custom Log Home. Beautiful 3 bdrm. 4 Season home. Huge wrap around deck overlooks beautifully landscaped lawn.

A must see.

\$264,900

Call Lenor or Tracy



Rosalind Bagg*

CHOICE LOT/CHOICE LOCATION

Beautiful building lot, walking distance to Sir Sam's Ski Area and Basshaunt Lake municipal access, winter or summer, great location to build! Come and see. Call Rosalind Bagg

PRIME BUILDING LOT

County Road 6 Prime Building lot. View of Cranberry Lake, docking possibilities across road. Lovely forest setting, neighbours but private. 10 mins to Sir Sam's Ski Hill - Residence or Recreation. **\$30,000** Call Rosalind Bagg



Julie Gray*

PORTAGE LAKE

Immaculate & well maintained 3 bdrm. home/cottage on private, densely wooded lot w/brick ext., steel roof & security system. Huge living area, sep. DR, Canac kitchen, screened porch, sunroom. All overlooking lake. Insulated bunkie at lake w/hydro & storage bldg. Must See! Call Julie Gray

\$249,000



REDSTONE LAKE

Over 33 acres of privacy in this 3 yr. old architecturally designed log home set in quiet cove of lake which exits into scenic white water river. Features a great rm., 2 1/2 storey, radiant heat, FP, oak, pine & ceramic floors. Hollywood kit., full bsmt., dble garage, 2000 sq.ft. covered decking, level walkway to lake.

\$895,000



Cathy Bain*

NEW LISTING

Charming well-maintained 2 bdrm. home in adult community with snow removal and garbage pickup. Florida room and detached garage. Call Cathy Bain.

\$99,900



EXCLUSIVE

Charming 3+ bedroom home within walking dist. to town. Lovely stone FP, partially finished basement with walkout. Call Cathy Bain

\$118,900



Bill Kulas*



COUNTRY LOG HOME

This 3 bdrm unfinished home features a full w/o bsmt, two 4 piece baths & lots of room to roam on 82 acres. Asking **\$139,900**

This property was just recently listed and **SOLD** within 21 days.

So if you're thinking of **selling!**

Bill is the one you should be **telling!**

Call **Bill Kulas** Top Producer 2003

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Ken Barry**

TRAPPERS TRAIL

Excellent 1.5, 3 bdrm. chalet home/chalet. Steps away from Miskwabi Lk. access. Tastefully decorated, master bdrm. with its own private deck. Call Ken Barry

\$129,900



TRAPPERS TRAIL

Affordable home/cottage only 10 mins. from town. Close to both Wenona & Miskwabi Lk. access. Very good value for this tastefully finished home. Call Ken Barry

\$114,900



Cathy Lancia**

NEW LISTING ... NEW LISTING ... NEW LISTING ...

This bright 4 Season home/cottage on Little Kennisis Lake has been well planned and is fully usable for family fun. Facing WSW the waterfront is clean and offers both shallow sand & rocky deep water. The private lot is terraced and natural. The interior is finished in pine w/drywall and berber carpets. The pine kit., is lge. & welcoming. Skylights, a drilled well, 4 bathrooms, & a lge. cedar deck are features with this pkg. The full basement is fin. except the floors, incl. FAO furn., 2 tanks, air cond., central vac. Over 2600 sq.ft. fin. living space. Call Cathy Lancia

\$489,700



Linda Beachli***

GREAT FAMILY HOME!

Wonderful 4 bdrm bungalow with sunporch, 3 washrooms, 2 FP's, & full bsmt with fin. rec rm & wet bar, 20x27 heated workshop & 16x22 att. gar. Call Linda Beachli

\$119,900



LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

Great waterfront brick bungalow located just outside of the town of Haliburton. 3 bdrms, 1-1/2 baths, full bsmt & gorgeous view. Call Linda Beachli

\$289,000



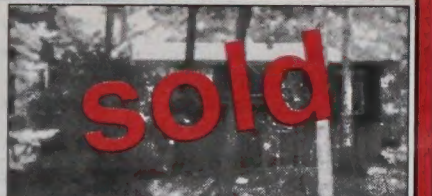
Rick Lowes*

HALIBURTON LAKE

Over 200 ft of golden sand beach, SW exp, 4 season, 3 bedroom home/cottage plus 2 car garage, Bunkie and boat house.

\$439,900

Call Rick Lowes

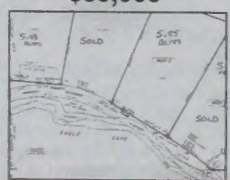


Peter Brady**

BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME/COTTAGE HERE

Only 2 lots remaining to build your dream home on 5+ acres, on yr md rd, across rd from beautiful Eagle Lake & both with breathtaking views. Call Peter Brady

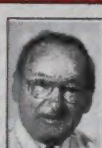
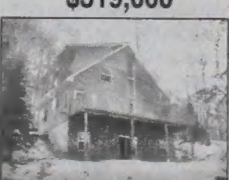
\$39,900



WAITING FOR FIRST FAMILY!

Brand new chalet built on Tedious Lake with 160 ft. of waterfront & 2.1 acres of land. 3 BR's, 2 baths and full walkout bsmt. Call Peter Brady

\$319,000

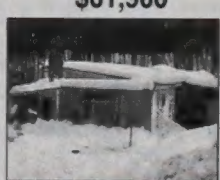


Erwin Roithmeier*

GREAT STARTER HOME

3 bedroom home, near public access to Canning Lake, nice flower gardens and 3 outbuildings, close to Minden. Call Erwin Roithmeier

\$61,900



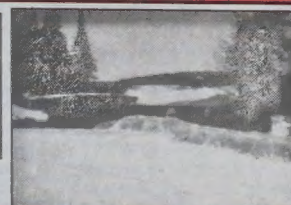
HIDEAWAY PROPERTY!

If you want to get away from it all, then this is the place for you, very secluded. **\$18,500.**

Lot next to it also for sale **\$16,500.**

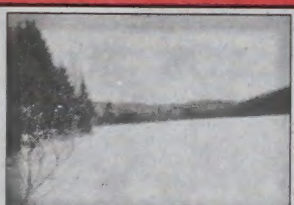


Geoff Bunn* & Miranda Newman*



PRIVATE LAKE

176 acre retreat estate type property and a private lake. A 3 bdrm home/cottage sits on the shoreline and 1600 ft. of frontage. Cottage is full of old country charm. Call Geoff & Miranda for details.



Tom* & Gail* Tempest*

IMMACULATE

Recently renovated cottage on level west facing waterfront lot w/clean sand shoreline and big lake view. Pine ceilings, hardwood floors and drywall throughout. New windows & doors, full basement could easily be yr. md. home.

\$239,900

Call Tom & Gail Tempest



Fred Chapple*

Beautiful Davis Lake

Terrific family compound, year round 3 bdrm cottage/home with 2 guest cottages. Point lot with 460 ft. of waterfront on 4 acres. Privacy plus! Just south of Minden. Call Fred Chapple

\$289,000



EXECUTIVE IN-TOWN

Custom built home on quiet street, level landscaped lot. Spacious eat-in kitchen with separate DR. Has brick FP, hardwood flooring, 4 pc bath with jacuzzi, 3 pc ensuite & 2 pc in bsmt. Extensive decking. Also included is adjoining building lot. Call Fred Chapple

\$234,500



Ted Vasey*

Hwy. 121 Robertson Road

Country home btwn. Minden & Haliburton. Picturesque lot w/pond, w/o LR to porch, 4 bdrms., 2 ahrs, int. needs completely refinishing. Call Ted Vasey

\$50,900



MINDEN - ORDE ST.

Absolutely charming home across rd. from river. Newly fin. oak kit., w/o to deck, w/o LR, 3+2 bdrms, MBR ensuite, freshly fin. fam. rm. w/oak bar & prop. FP, FAO heating, 1.54 acres. A must see.

\$185,000



Vince Duchene**

3 YEAR OLD HOME

1,908 sq.ft. in Haliburton by the lake subdivision. Beautifully finished home, 3 baths, rec room & bright open kitchen/living room. Call Vince Duchene

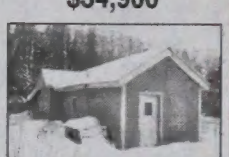
\$259,900



SCENIC, NICELY TREED,

small usable cabin, driveway in. Lots of pines & ready to build your home on. Outstanding lot only 5 minutes from Haliburton. Call Vince Duchene

\$34,900



Melanie Vigars*

MINDEN

Why Pay Rent?

You can afford to own this 2 bedroom in-town home with full basement. Recent upgrades include: oil furnace, new oil tank, 200 amp service.

\$79,900

Call Melanie for details



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